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PLAN REGISTRATION OF ALL PROPERTIES USEFUL DURING WAR

British Government Policy of Instituting National Register Is Debated in Parliament—Conservative and Labor Spokesmen Oppose Measure
—Sir John Anderson Sponsors Project

LONDON, Dec. 6 (P)—Possible extension of the Government's voluntary national register to provide for registration of property useful for national defence was indicated in the House of Commons at the close of tonight's debate.

Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal, who spoke for the Government as sponsor of the project, made the following statement immediately before adjournment of the debate until tomorrow.

"As Minister for Civilian Defence, I conceive that I have the responsibility laid upon me which extends to considering how the financial and economic structure of the country can be braced, having regard to the narrowed margins of taxable capacity to meet the shock of a major war."

CIVILIAN DEFENCE

"In interpreting civilian defence in its wider sense, that important problem has been little explored. When examination of the problem has gone rather farther than it has, this question of the registration of property, small and large, will assume a most different aspect in the eyes of the Opposition than that which it has presented up to the present."

Sir John's statement followed a warning by Clement Attlee, Labor leader, that the country would not accept mobilization of manpower without a corresponding mobilization of wealth.

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GERMAN AGENTS BUSY AT LIMA

Delegates to Pan-American Conference May Not Agree With U.S.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 6 (P)—Private conferences in which German representatives showed an unofficial but active hand strengthened the widespread belief today that the United States may have a battle to win its "American for the Americans" objectives in the eighth Pan-American Conference, opening here on Friday.

At least five German journalists, or representatives of German's Propaganda Ministry, were on the ground, and others were arriving by plane and ship.

They were circulating wherever groups of delegates assembled, handshaking and saying a few words in favor of totalitarianism as against democracy wherever opportunity offered.

TOUGH STRONG HAND NEEDED

Some of their arguments heard were that Latin American countries needed a stronger system of government than democracy in order to control or prevent frequent political uprisings, and that a strong man with a strong hand was the only solution.

Conference circles were chary of predicting the attitude the South and Central American delegations may take in case there comes a showdown on any political question at the conference.

Those well informed on Latin American politics were of the opinion Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay probably would oppose any plan which could be interpreted as "turning our backs on Europe."

The Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr. Jose Marie Cantho, used these words in expressing his attitude at the time President Roosevelt proposed a programme of American solidarity for the hemisphere.

Place Ten Ships In New Service

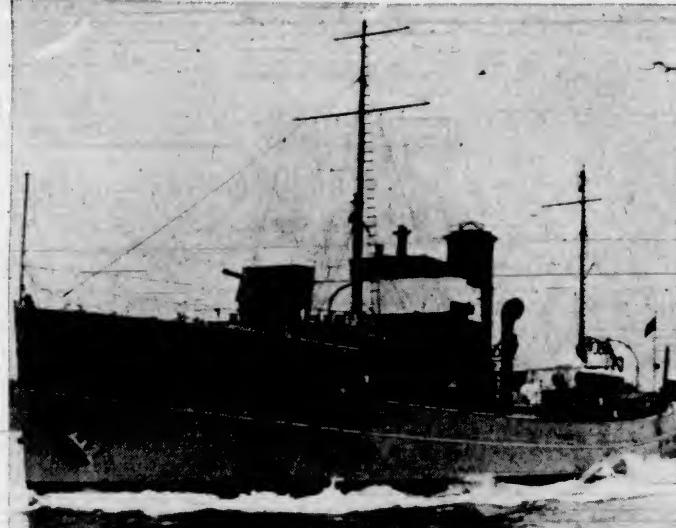
TOKIO, Dec. 6 (CP-Havas)—To accommodate increased German-Japanese freight and passenger traffic, Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Japan's largest shipping company, tonight announced its decision to put ten ships, aggregating more than 100,000 tons, into service between Hamburg and Yokohama, by way of London.

Sailing of the Suwannee from Yokohama yesterday started the service.

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Ship Taken Over by Navy Authorities



Completing her trials to the satisfaction of Engineer-Commander G. L. Stephens, R.C.N., and his assistant, Engineer-Commander A. C. Davy, R.C.N., of Esquimalt Dockyard, the minesweeper Nootka, recently launched from Yarrow's shipbuilding ways, officially became a unit of the Royal Canadian Navy yesterday. It was while going through her final tests in the Strait that the red flag of the Merchant Marine was hauled down and replaced by the White Ensign, the crew of the ship and the guests of the builders standing at the salute as the navy banner broke out. See story on page 3.

Colonial Claims Dropped For Present With Signing Of Franco-German Pact

Manitoba's Record In Cure of Cancer Most Encouraging

WINNIPEG, Dec. 6 (P)—Cancer cases are being cured in Manitoba at the rate of forty cases a month. Dr. P. A. Macdonald, of the Manitoba Cancer Relief and Research Institute, today told delegates to the Union of Manitoba Municipalities convention here that one hundred cases of cancer were reported in Manitoba each month.

Stricken Man Struggles to Surgical Aid

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Active Advocacy of Amalgamation to Await Conference of Railway Workers—Merger of Union Groups Is Suggested

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MONTREAL

Dec. 6 (P)—Delegates to the Canadian-Federalization of Labor convention today concurred in their executive board's recommendation that Canada's railways be co-ordinated. The board had urged the elimination of duplication in all transport services.

While recording agreement with the principle, the federation members decided not to work actively to gain amalgamation pending a January conference called by unions of railway workers.

Delegates approved a motion of R. B. Russell, of Winnipeg: "That

in view of conference having been

taken to unite the federation and

called by certain unions having

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SIXTEEN MEN MEET DEATH IN NOVA SCOTIA MINE DISASTER

Errand of Mercy Is First Call On Air Force Bomber

HALIFAX, Dec. 6 (P)—Dealigned for Canada's coast defence, a big Stratocruiser Royal Canadian Air Force bomber went on a mercy errand today as it made its first cross-country flight after arriving Saturday at the Eastern Passage Air Base. The plane, of Nova Scotia Mines Department officials and a Halifax doctor to Sydney Mines, where sixteen men were killed in a disaster at Princess Colliery.

Japan Will Protest if Report True

TOKIO, Dec. 6 (P)—A report is being investigated that six retired American army aviators with "huge supplies" of airplanes are waiting in British Burma to enter China, official sources said today. If the report is found true, it was said, Japan would lodge a strong protest with the United States.

Japanese officials said they were informed the aviators sailed October 27 from a Mexican port aboard the Soviet freighter Ondokzai and arrived at Khost Island on November 15. They were understood to be waiting for additional aviation equipment.

NOT BORROWING FOR NEW ARMS

Roosevelt Has Pay-as-You-Go Policy for Vast Armament Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (P)—A pay-as-you-go policy for the forthcoming vast United States armaments programme was laid down today by President Roosevelt.

He said, in answer to a reporter's question at a press conference, that he favored the pay-as-you-go policy even if it meant increased taxation, but quickly added that because certain Government expenditures except selfliquidating, the total tax revenue may not have to be increased.

Stephen E. Early, Presidential secretary, said afterward that tax increases for defence might be avoided through "budgetary adjustments."

NO PUMP PRIMING PLAN

The President disclosed that when he makes his recommendations of Congress to reinforce land, sea and air defenses, he will not link them with attempts to stimulate business and employment through pumping.

The German Foreign Minister was said to have maintained Germany's "political claims" for return of her colonies would not necessarily press any claims for return of her colonies lost to France under mandates after the Great War.

This was announced by Prime Minister Mackenzie King following the ceremony, it was learned, from quarters close to the Foreign Ministry. Von Ribbentrop also gave Bonn assurance Germany would not

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Demands Promise by Mayor to Give Sum To Charity Be Kept

Alderman James Adam, Mayoralty Candidate, Repeals Challenge on Mortgage Question—Counter Affidavit Shows Debt Paid Four Years Ago

ALDERMAN James Adam, a candidate for the mayoralty at the civic elections tomorrow, demanded last night that Mayor Andrew McGavin should fulfill his promise to pay \$50 to any charity if it could be shown that a chattel mortgage which he had held over the Veteran Sightseeing & Transportation Company had not been settled in 1934.

Addressing a meeting in the Oaklands School, Alderman Adam read a copy of a discharge of debt, filed in the County Court registry office on October 13, 1938, in respect of a chattel mortgage given by the company to Mayor McGavin for \$639.75.

"The Mayor stated last night," Alderman Adam continued, "that this mortgage was settled in 1934. If his statement is true, I want to

COURT RECORDS

"These are court records from which I am quoting and unless the Mayor can bring better evidence than his unsupported word, I claim that the \$50 which he has promised to any charity should be paid. I would suggest the orphanage."

At this stage Wesley Strickland, a member of the audience, handed up to the platform a copy of a statement of Alfred Henry Steer, bookkeeper for the Veterans Sightseeing & Transportation Company, sworn to before Patrick J. Sinnott, a commissioner for taking affidavits. Mr. Steer's statement was to the following effect:

"I have checked the books of the company and find that a chattel mortgage given by the said company on February 9, 1931, to Andrew McGavin, was fully paid and satisfied on September 15, 1934. The Blue Line is not indebted to the said Mr. McGavin in any sum whatsoever, and the said Mr. McGavin has no financial interest in the company."

FOUR YEARS' DELAY

After reading this statement, Alderman Adam declared: "Notwithstanding this, I am compelled to stand by the court records. If the mortgage was paid in 1934 and the Blue Line didn't clear it until 1938, to my mind they are poor business people, and it would be hard to recommend them for the franchise. I can't understand anyone letting satisfaction of a mortgage stand for four years."

Relating his general platform, Alderman Adam declared that if elected he would endeavor to bring about a further reduction in taxation. He claimed that credit for the reduction during the past year was not due to Mayor McGavin, but to ex-Mayor David Leeming, who had instituted the refunding scheme, which Mayor McGavin had attacked at that time.

He declared that he would like to see an independent audit of the city's affairs, and that a promise to this effect made by Mayor McGavin in his last election campaign had not been fulfilled. "I challenge Mayor McGavin to order such an audit to be made," he said.

FRANCHISE ISSUE

On the transportation question, Alderman Adam stated that he had an entirely open mind as to the kind of transportation the city should have. All that he wanted was the best, the most modern and the cheapest system that could be obtained. He favored co-operation with the other municipalities and stated that routings should not be changed except in some of the real dental districts.

Alderman Adam also advocated working with Saanich with a view to selling the city's surplus water; the installation plan for payment of taxes, and the erection of a forum for the city.

Other candidates for civic offices were also invited to address the meeting by Alderman Adam.

JOHN DEAN

John Dean, seeking election to the mayorality, repeated the address he had delivered in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium the previous night.

Referring to the auditorium plan, he suggested that the Arnolds would make a good makeshift for some years to come. The city had enough burdens already, he said, and in any case he doubted whether the Dominion Government would accept the security.

Asserting that the taxation system

REVENUE ACT TO AID IN REFUNDING

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The resolution also says the committee "urges that our Government not only continue to admit such selected refugees, but it also consider the possibility of making special appropriations in concert with other nations towards the cost of the rehabilitation and repatriation of such refugees as may be established in other countries."

"It is further resolved that in the development of the above programme, the Government be requested to give special consideration to modifications in its present restrictions to facilitate the entry of relatives of persons in Canada and of children for whom established conditions exist satisfactorily to the child protection authorities of the respective provinces," the resolution continued.

TO REDUCE CHARGES

Hon. A. W. Gray introduced amendments to the Land Settlement and Development Act, much as follows. Under its terms, the Land Settlement Board will be empowered to reduce simple interest accumulations of interest charges, scale down principal sums, readjust amortizations, and write off beyond a fixed scale sums owing to the board in respect of all loans, agreements and contracts outstanding at January 1, 1939.

The basis of computation provides for compound interest payable retroactively on loans from the date of these advances, and on agreements from the date of contract, will be reduced to what 6 per cent simple interest up to May 31, 1938, and 4½ per cent simple interest since that date would otherwise have to total. Discretionary provision is made to apply interest payments to principal sums over a one-year period, where the new charges are met and maintained.

REAPPRAISALS

In initial valuations of agreements on land, allowances are to be made by way of rebates of 5 per cent on the value of added buildings, 5 per cent on the cost of providing irrigation and 5 per cent of the cost of land clearing and grubbing, up to, with interest rebated, the total amount of the principal and interest at present outstanding.

The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council will be empowered to order revaluation of properties and under agreement for sale, and to write off the difference between the initial purchase price and the re-appraised values, by crediting that sum to the account of the agreement holder.

RAISE TIMBER LEVY

Mr. Gray also introduced amendments to the Forest Act, continuing timber royalties as at present for a further year; increasing at April 1 next from 4 cents per acre to 8 cents the levy on private timber lands for fire prevention purposes; and confirming fire prevention authority now in the hands of the British Columbia Forest Service.

Technical clauses in the bill remain to be explained.

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DROP SHOWN IN NET DEBT

Saanich Finance Statement For 1938 Presented by Councillor Hagan

A reduction during the past year of \$34,980.70 in the net debt of the municipality of Saanich is one of the highlights of a financial report issued to members of the Saanich Council by Councillor L. C. Hagan, chairman of the finance committee. His report shows that in the eleven months up to November 30, the net debt was reduced from \$410,000.41 to \$375,028.71.

Councillor Hagan's summary of the financial situation of the municipality has been presented this week, instead of at the close of the year, in view of the fact that the municipal elections will take place on December 17, rather than in January, as in past years.

SINKING FUNDS

Dealing with sinking funds, Councillor Hagan states that during the depression years of 1933-34-35-36, regular deposits were not placed in the sinking funds, with the result that there was a shortage of \$39,843 at December 31, 1936. Since that date, however, the full required amounts have been deposited, and due to the fact that the council has been able to purchase investments for the sinking funds yielding over 5 per cent interest, there is an annual profit of over \$3,000 accruing to the funds. This means that the shortage has now been reduced to \$23,189.43.

The total investments held in the sinking funds amount to \$180,958.14, in provincial bonds. Investments purchased during the past year were \$40,000 Province of British Columbia 4½ per cent, due on April 1, 1944, at 99. The only Saanich bonds offered were over \$103.

TAX RATE

The tax rate for the year was 42 mills, of which 24.4 mills was for general purposes, and 17.6 mills for schools. At October 31 the percentage of tax collections was 84.61, and it is anticipated that they will be close to 97 by the end of the year. The percentage of collections has been increasing each year since the "low" of 78.23 in 1933.

There has been a decided increase in cash received on the sale of re-verted property, the report continues, the amount being considerably in excess of the estimate. Other revenue receipts are expected to be close to the estimates, with the exception of waterworks cash receipts which will be about \$6,000 above the estimate.

Total current expenditure estimated for the year was \$362,802.91, which will be exceeded by approximately \$35,000. This amount will in turn be reduced by approximately \$13,000 in increased receipts, leaving an estimated deficit of \$22,000. The road and bridges account was increased by council resolutions by \$13,500 after the estimates were passed, and relief will be increased by nearly \$6,000.

RELIEF COSTS

Referring to increased relief costs, Councillor Hagan states:

"Nearly half the relief cases were classified as unemployed by the Provincial Government and charged 100 per cent to the municipality as from March 1, 1938. The Government later agreed to pay 40 per cent of the cost of unemployables, and has since agreed to increase this to 60 per cent as from November 1, 1938. All cases classed as unemployed after March 1, 1938, will, however, still be charged the municipality at 100 per cent."

The Provincial Government gave a special grant of \$1,500 towards the cost of improving Gladstone Avenue, and the Canadian National Railways, together with the Board of Railway Commissioners, gave \$2,550 towards the cost of improving the level crossing on Tillicum Road.

An application was made to the Dominion Government for a loan of \$40,635, at 2 per cent, for improvements to the waterworks system. This loan has been officially approved, but not yet received. The estimated surplus of the waterworks department will be \$8,000, which has been invested in Provincial Government bonds. The amount due to waterworks from general funds will not be increased over last year, Councillor Hagan concludes.

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R. G. "Bob" Shanks Is in Saanich Race

Richard G. "Bob" Shanks, 1090 Holmes Street, announced yesterday that he would seek a seat on the Saanich municipal school board in the forthcoming elections.

A resident of the municipality practically all his life, the latest contestant he said felt there was a need for co-operation to carry on the present reconstruction work of the board, and that the board at present constituted had indicated it was on the right track. He believed he would be able to work in with its plans. Mr. Shanks stated he realized there was need at present for consolidation of schools in Saanich.

WIFE OF MEMBER DIES OF INJURY

Mrs. A. W. Neill, of Port Alberni, Passes Away in Hospital following an Accident

SINKING FUNDS

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 6 (CP)—Mrs. A. W. Neill, widow of Jennie Rutherford Neill, wife of A. W. Neill, Independent Member of Parliament for Comox-Alberni, died in hospital here early today.

Mrs. Neill had been admitted to hospital about ten days ago with injuries suffered in a fall at her home here and failed to recover.

The shock suffered in the fall was believed to have contributed to her death.

Mr. and Mrs. Neill came to the Alberni district forty years ago.

Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Mrs. W. W. Stevens, of Victoria. She is also survived by a sister and brother in Scotland and another sister in Australia.

Obituary

DOWLING — The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Mary Dowling will be held this morning, the carriage leaving Sands Mortuary at 8:40 and proceeding to St. Andrew's Cathedral, where Rev. Father G. P. Finfold will celebrate Mass at 9. Interment will be in Ross Bay Cemetery.

FATT — The funeral of Francis Frederick Fatt will take place today from the Thomson Funeral Home at 1:45 p.m. Services will be held at 2 o'clock at Christ Church Cathedral. Bishop H. E. Sexton will officiate and cremation will take place at the Royal Oak Crematorium.

ALLEN — There passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, yesterday, Miss Margaret Mary Allen, aged sixty-eight years. Miss Allen was born in England and for many years had been a resident on James Island. She is survived by two brothers, G. P. Allen, Victoria, and E. L. Allen, James Island, also three sisters, Mrs. H. Avery, Stratford on Avon, England; Mrs. H. W. Rogers and Mrs. J. Biller, Vancouver. The remains are resting at the Thomson Funeral Home, where the funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. Robert C. J. Weil will officiate. Interment will be in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

FULLER — Funeral services for Mrs. Ann Fuller will be held in Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. James Hood officiating, after which cremation will take place in the Royal Oak Crematorium. It is requested that no flowers be sent.

ROCHON — Rev. Father Gaudette celebrated Requiem Mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral yesterday morning for Mrs. Angelina Rochon. Interment was made in Ross Bay Cemetery, the pallbearers being J. Ryder, C. O'Leary, W. W. Baines and M. J. Haley. McCall Bros. were in charge of the arrangements.

BELL — There passed away yesterday at his residence, "Acadia," Carey Road, John Alexander Bell, aged sixty-seven years, a native of Hamilton, Ontario, and a resident of Victoria for four years. Mr. Bell was a former resident of Calgary, where for twenty-five years he was connected with the Alberta Government Telephones, and at the time of his retirement, in 1934, he was commercial manager at Calgary. He was connected with the Masonic Order for many years, being past master of Calgary Lodge No. 23, A.F. & A.M. He leaves in sorrow his wife, at the family residence, and one sister, Mrs. H. A. Hambley, residing in Toronto. The remains are resting at the Thomson Funeral Home pending funeral arrangements, which will be announced later.

RELIEF NEEDS REDUCED

OTTAWA, Dec. 6 (CP)—Agriculture Minister James G. Gardiner indicated today Dominion Government expenditures on rural relief in the Prairie Provinces this year might not exceed \$9,000,000. This compared with \$26,000,000 a year ago.

At Last I've Found Relief from Distressing HEAD COLDS*

Harry Davis is Elected President And Harold Banks Named Vice-President

At the annual meeting of the Garage and Motor Trades Association held on Monday evening, Harry Davis was elected president for the ensuing year and Harold Banks vice-president. Fred Haller was named secretary-treasurer.

The executive committee was chosen as follows: Joe Foster, M. Mooney and Tom Atkinson.

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NEW OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED

Civic Employees' Federation Plans Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Civic Employees' Federation of Greater Victoria will be held in the Fire Hall Building, on Cormorant Street, at 7:30 o'clock Friday night. Business will be followed by a social and dance.

Officers of the Old Age Pensioners' Organization of Victoria, elected a month ago, were installed at a largely attended meeting of the organization, held in the Eagles' Hall yesterday afternoon, under the chairmanship of George Hutchinson, president.

Mrs. E. Wilkinson was appointed convener of a social and entertainment committee to make plans for a social gathering on January 3, if possible.

An interesting address was given by Frank LeRoy, representing the Eagles' Lodge, who stated that the Eagles were the pioneers of old age pensions on this continent and had spent over \$500,000 on this cause alone. Pensions were first granted in Europe, and today New Zealand had one of the best old age pension plans in the world and intended to improve it still further next year.

PRESSURE NECESSARY

The speaker mentioned that the Eagles took up the cause in this country in 1930, and declared that nothing of value could be achieved unless pressure were exerted on the Legislature. He considered that the present pension was inadequate, the average for the province amounting to only \$18 a month.

Mr. LeRoy claimed that the pension age should be reduced to sixty years, as it was practically impossible for one to get work at that age, and that pensions should be increased from \$20 to \$30. Pensioners should not have their allowances reduced because of home ownership, and a gifts under \$100 a year should be calculated as income.

Attainment of these aims could only be accomplished by means of a strong organization, with good leaders, Mr. LeRoy said. He contended that the liability to provide old age pensions and meet other social needs should rest on the shoulders of those who had been more fortunate in life, and had been permitted by the present economic system to accumulate wealth and earning power.



Yarrow-Built Vessel Formally Taken Over By Naval Department

Minesweeper Recently Launched Proves Satisfactory in All Tests and Is Now Flying the White Ensign as H.M.C.S. Nootka

Christened Nootka by Mrs. Eric W. Hamber, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, when launched from the shipbuilding ways of Yarrows Limited, Esquimalt, some weeks ago, the last of the four minesweepers constructed at various points in the Dominion for the Canadian Government steamed out of the naval port yesterday under lowering skies with the Red Ensign flapping from her taffrail staff, and returned two hours later with the White Ensign flying in its place. She had been accepted for the Royal Canadian Navy while manoeuvring in the Strait and became H.M.C.S. Nootka.

The transfer or "take-over" was

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Wednesday Specials

STEAK and CHOP SALE

ROUND STEAK	2 lbs. 25¢
MINCED BEEF	2 lbs. 25¢
STEAK, lb.	15¢
PORK CHOPS, lb.	20¢
LAMB CHOPS, lb.	2 lbs. 25¢
MUTTON CHOPS, lb.	20¢
STEAK AND KIDNEY BREAST LAMB, lb.	2 lbs. 25¢
Tomatoes	Manitoba HONEY
3 lbs. 25¢	1 lb. 45¢
Molasses	Sweet Mixed Pickles
8 oz. 22-oz.	20¢ large jar

FISH DEPT.

FRESH COD, lb.	11¢
FRESH WHITING, lb.	10¢
SMOKED WHITING, lb.	8¢
DRIED APRICOTS	9¢ lb.
Cat Puffs	2 for 9¢
Sunsweet Tenderized PRUNES	19¢ 2-lb. pkt.
	9¢ pkt.

FRUIT DEPT.

EXTRA FANCY DELICIOUS APPLES,	95¢
half boxes, each	
packed with Christmas Wraps	
SUNKIST ORANGES	15¢ doz. 2 for 29¢
FRESH BEANS	2 lbs. 15¢
CRISP CELERY, each	5¢
SODA BISCUITS	13¢ 1-lb. pkt.
WHITE NAPHTHA SOAP	2 for 5¢
LIMITED	

SPECIALS

Electric Light Bulbs, 1000 hr. at	2 for 25¢
Cedar Chests, filled with	\$1.79
shingles, large size	
Christmas Tree Lights Sets, complete, 7 tree lights	49¢
Christmas Cellophane Ribbon, lbs per roll, 2 rolls	2 lbs 15¢
Vegetable Soap	25¢
Pork and Beans, 16 oz.	
Silverback Herring	
Minced Sockeye	
Salmon, 1 lb.	59¢
Tomato Soup	6¢
Vegetable Soup	
Pork and Beans, 16 oz.	
Silverback Herring	
Minced Sockeye	
Salmon, 1 lb.	
Butter, first 3 lbs. 79¢	
CHEESE MILD, lb. 19¢	
EGGS Grade A Large doz. 34¢	
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Training Planes Flying Over England



In echelon formation, five Airspeed Oxfords are seen in flight over the English countryside. These machines are twin-engined trainers for the Royal Air Force. Each machine flies with an instructor, and carries from two to three pupils undergoing instruction in navigation, wireless, blind flying, etc.

Aeroplane Photograph.

from Vancouver, on Sunday only, at 1:30 p.m. and 11:15 p.m.

SHIPPING CALENDAR TO ARRIVE

CORRIENTES—United Kingdom, December 6.

CHATHAM—China, Japan, December 6.

DELFT/DVYK—Rotterdam and London, December 6.

HEIAN MARU (Vancouver)—Japan, December 6.

HELEN OF ASIA—Philippines, China, Japan, December 12.

PACIFIC RELIANCE—United Kingdom, December 6.

PAULINE—Australia, New Zealand, PUJ, December 6.

DINTEDLYK—Rotterdam and London, December 28.

RELIEF—United Kingdom, December 28.

EMPRESS OF CANADA—Philippines, China, Japan, December 28.

HAKWA MARU (Vancouver)—Japan, December 30.

TO DEPART

HIE MARU (Vancouver)—Japan, December 2.

HIE MARU (Vancouver)—Japan, December 28.

INDIA RELIANCE—United Kingdom, December 28.

EMPRESS OF ASIA—Philippines, China, Japan, December 30.

EMPEROR MARU (Vancouver)—Japan, December 30.

EMPEROR OF ASIA—Japan, China, Philippines, December 31.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners are advised that the unlighted acetylene gas light on Rebeccas Spit at the entrance to Drew Harbour, B.C., is reported not burning.

This light will be attended to as soon as possible.

A. W. R. WILBY, Agent, Department of Transport.

He found his own front porch with wonderful accuracy, navigated the ship with precision and discovered the keyhole by instinct.

On the dimly lit hall there was an ominous silence, followed by a tremendous crash.

"What, whatever has happened, Henry?" came his wife's voice from above.

"It's all right, Mary, but I'll teach those 'fish to snap at me,'" was the reply.

WEATHER FORECASTER WINS BUCHAN PRIZE

TORONTO, Dec. 6 (P.T.).—Dr. E. W. Hewson, of Toronto, of the Dominion Meteorological Service, was awarded the Buchan Prize of 1938.

The prize is awarded every two years for the most important original contribution appearing in the Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society, London. Dr. Hewson wrote an article on weather forecasting

that expressed himself in favor of more improvements to this fresh-water anchorage, and further dredging and widening is in prospect. When this is done additional flats will also have to be built.

A minister adopted a novel method for increasing the church collection. He informed his congregation just before the plates were passed round that the members who were in debt were not expected to contribute.

The collection that day was double the usual sum.

CONTRACT TO REPAIR SHIP

Victoria Machinery Depot Is Awarded Nine-Day Job On Evagoras

The freighter Evagoras, which sustained some damage when she broke adrift while loading lumber at Ogden Point Pier in the gale which ravaged Victoria last Friday night, will be repaired by the Victoria Machinery Depot, it was announced here last night by King Brothers, agents for the ship.

Tenders for certain work were opened last night following a survey made yesterday, V.M.D. has

been accepted for the Royal Canadian Navy while manoeuvring in the Strait and became H.M.C.S. Nootka.

When the ship was docked in the Government Drydock yesterday morning by Yarrows Limited, it was found that a portion of the bilge keel and a number of plates were bent and broken. Four plates will have to be renewed, seven plates will have to be fairied, some deck fittings aft attended to and about sixty feet of bilge keel repaired.

The Victoria Machinery Depot has nine days in which to complete the contract.

LUMBER VESSELS

The freighter Loch Dee is loading lumber at Ogden Point Pier for Australia. She arrived here from Port Alberni yesterday morning.

Embassage, which took on about 1,500,000 feet of the Vancouver Island commodity, cleared for sea last night. Her destination is London.

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Wednesday, December 7, 1938

TOMORROW'S ELECTIONS

With three candidates in the field for Mayor, and with such questions to decide as the immediate future of street transportation and the need for a civic auditorium, there should be evidence at the polls tomorrow of a shaking off of the apathy that has marked so many municipal elections of the past. The interest in the civic situation should be evidenced in a record vote, and if the people will make the effort there is no reason why 70 per cent of those enfranchised should not be instrumental in rendering a verdict on their candidates and the referenda up for decision.

The character of civic government depends on the enthusiasm of the people as a whole in the welfare of their community. In the greater issues of municipal life it is those people who render the decisions. The manner in which the decisions are interpreted depends on the character and ability of the elected representatives. It should be the duty of the electorate, therefore, to make the right decisions and elect the best representatives to translate them into action.

During a long course of years Victoria has remained practically stationary in population. Instead of the normal increase that should be expected, the adjacent municipalities have been gaining at the expense of this community. This is a situation that implies something is wrong. Perhaps it is the apathy of the people of Victoria; perhaps it is the rate of taxation that prevails in the city; perhaps it is due to unprogressive administration. It is only the citizens themselves who can find out the cause and provide the remedy. They could contribute towards these ends by showing their civic consciousness at the polls tomorrow.

DEBT CONVERSION

Premiers Hepburn of Ontario and Aberhart of Alberta are anxious to bring about conversion of the debts of these two Provinces, and they point to the example of what has happened in Australia. Premier Hepburn goes farther and advocates a national conversion scheme. In any conversion scheme there is repudiation, unless in the case of loans that have reached maturity. In Australia wanton expenditures by the States brought about the financial crisis of 1929. The Commonwealth Government had to assume State liabilities. A conversion scheme was devised. It reduced interest rates; it reduced taxation; it also reduced workers' wages.

Mr. Charles Dunning, the Federal Minister of Finance, does not believe in Canada following the Australian example, despite the plight of some of the Provinces. In his last budget address he said: "At June 30, 1931, before the conversion operation took place in Australia the average rate of interest on Australia's debt was 5.25 per cent, and at June 30 last (1937) it was 3.93 per cent, a decrease, therefore, in the average rate on the Australian debt of 25.1 per cent. On the other hand, the average rate on Canada's debt outstanding as at March 31, 1931, was 4.98 per cent, and today the corresponding rate is 3.53 per cent, a decrease in the case of Canada of 29.1 per cent."

Conversion is always a false policy when it involves repudiation. It injures the credit of a country or a community. There is no method of reconciling arbitrary action with sound credit. Officials may attempt to justify such a course, but the investing public always views it otherwise. Mr. Dunning has explained the monetary policy of this country in a national sense when he said: "It has been an easy money policy, designed to offset any deflationary tendencies and to ensure that ample currency and credit will be available to meet the needs of industry and trade. Its general objective has been to promote the maximum possible sustained level of productivity and the minimum possible level of unemployment."

Commenting on conversion proposals, The Toronto Globe and Mail says: "We have had all sorts of quack remedies, but none that is a healthful substitute for recognition of honest debt. Canada does not need some method of beating people out of what is justly owing, but a curb on public spending and borrowing. Australia found this to be the real cure."

RUSSIA'S "LIQUIDATION"

Some publicity was recently given to changes made in methods of judicial procedure in Russia. These deal with murderers and thieves, who hereafter are to be assured an open trial before an "elected" judge and the right to defend counsel, "except when otherwise provided by law." The law reform has nothing to do with official "purges." These continue, and since they commenced several hundred thousands of men and women who held jobs in the Soviet bureaucracy have disappeared through that form of death which Bolshevism describes as "liquidation."

Despite any reform in judicial procedure, almost every offence may be removed from the ordinary courts if the authorities so desire. The Moscow correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor says a thief may be classified as a "counter-revolutionist." If, for instance, he steals State property, and almost all property belongs to the State. The Soviet system of law omits habeas corpus. The ordinary citizen is defenseless in the face of his own police and authorities. The Moscow correspondent says: "No amount of 'democratization' of the ordinary courts, no number of popular election of judges, can provide real security for Soviet citizens so long as the Federal Police are left free to arrest and imprison men and women indefinitely without trial

simply by classifying their offence as political."

The same correspondent says:

"Hardly a week has passed, since the Summer of 1936, without the arrest of several directors in Soviet factories, mines, railways or other enterprises, who fell under official suspicion because the authorities believed their enterprises should have done better. Such persons have rarely been tried openly or by ordinary courts. The police have handled their cases from beginning to end, and sometimes even their relatives do not know what has happened to them."

HIGH SCHOOL FRENCH'

There is in Winnipeg a school bearing the name of that stout pioneer and Empire builder, the Earl of Selkirk, who planted upon the fertile lands along the banks of the Red River a redoubtable colony of Scottish Highlanders, who, along with Le Verendrye's adventurous Frenchmen, laid the foundations of the Prairie Province. The old District of Assiniboin thus began its community life and history on a bilingual basis, and the Lord Selkirk School is making a successful effort to continue the tradition. It is the custom of the English-speaking students of the school, under the capable direction of Mr. Godlas Brunet, head of the French department, to offer to the public, from time to time, with the assistance of the B.C.C., a programme of French Folk-Songs.

Victoria teachers and high school pupils of French have heard these programmes several times. They and the public generally will have an opportunity to hear tomorrow, from 6 to 6:15 p.m., Winnipeg time, another of these concerts of French songs by English-speaking students. These broadcasts are highly important in an educational sense, as showing what can be done and what is being done to furnish our young people with a real acquaintance with the French language, not as a dry-as-dust system of grammatical rules, but as a living tongue and on a practical and familiar speaking basis.

ENDORSEMENT OF UNIFICATION

The executive board of the Canadian Federation of Labor has approved unification of the control of the two transcontinental railway systems in the Dominion. It does so on the ground that the "insolvency" of the railway systems "necessitates prompt action. It does so, too, in the interest of the taxpayers and of the workers on the systems. The latter have suffered through measures of piecemeal co-operation that have been adopted, the claim being that 50,000 have lost their jobs in the last seven years. The Federation of Labor wants to assure security of employment on the railways, such as is guaranteed in the scheme for unification as put forward by Sir Edward Beatty.

The action of the executive of the Federation of Labor is a new evidence of how the trend of public opinion is coming around to a doctrine of common sense in the handling of Canada's railway problem. It may do much to overcome whatever opposition there is to unification among railway employees. In any case, the Federation has recognized the gravity of the problem as calling for a solution if "national bankruptcy" is to be avoided.

The final section of the report of the Macdonald Commission on coal and gasoline is in the hands of the Provincial Government. It is, however, only a part of an academic document, a thesis as it were, which has no relation to practical politics, inasmuch as the Government maintains it has had no bearing on the legislation appointing a fuel commission to control prices. The Legislature and the taxpayers might like to see the "peroration" of the report, especially the latter, as they paid over \$100,000 for a document which seems foredoomed to be pigeon-holed.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m., December 6, 1938.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS

Pressure remains high over Southern British Columbia and relatively low over the North Coast. The weather has been slightly unsettled, but mild, throughout this Province, with rain and mist in the vicinity of Vancouver Island.

It continues mild in the Prairie Provinces.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES

(Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m.; temperatures for twenty-four hours.)

	Precipitation Min. Max.
Victoria	14 44 47
Nanaimo	.06 41 45
Vancouver	25 44 46
Kamloops	36 42
Prince George	06 38 45
Estevan Point	.03 46 48
Rexburg	42 48
Langara	.09 44 46
Atlin	32 36
Dawson	0 12
Portland	.05 46 48
San Francisco	44 50
Spokane	50 64
Los Angeles	64 88
Penitentiary	38 46
Grand Forks	Trace 46
Prince George	28 34
Edmonton	34 40
Swift Current	33 43
Moose Jaw	26 46
Prince Albert	18 36
Saskatoon	20 38
Qu'Appelle	28 38
Winnipeg	24 36
Mondays	39 41
Ottawa	34 38
Saint John	42 54
Halifax	42 58

TUESDAY

Minimum 44
Average 47
Maximum 45
Minimum on the grass 43

Weather, raining

5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 30.32; calm; raining.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.32; wind, E., 4 miles; raining.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.32; wind, E., 4 miles; cloudy.

Prince George—Barometer, 29.98; wind, S., 18 miles; cloudy.

Rexburg—Barometer, 30.00; wind, SE., 12 miles; cloudy.

Langara—Barometer, 29.90; wind, SW., 22 miles; fair.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.24; wind, SE., 14 miles; raining.

Tatsoi—Barometer, 30.28; wind, E., 14 miles; raining.

Portland—Barometer, 30.40; wind, SE., 4 miles; raining.

Gaines—Barometer, 30.34; wind, SW., 8 miles; raining.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.34; wind, SE., 8 miles; raining.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.26; wind, NW., 4 miles; cloudy.

American Tourist (suddenly interested)—How much was it?

British Guide (showing pieces of interest)—It was in this room that Lord Wellington received his first commission.

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Note and Comment
By Sandham Graves

I have watched for, but not seen, the text of the report of the official inquiry into the Trans-Canada Air Lines mishap at Regina. The inquiry was held in secret, and what press accounts were available here appeared confusing, to say the least. The accounts suggested: (1) That the cause of the accident was not known, because the pilots died, and there were no direct witnesses; and (2) that the pilot in charge of the ship had been guilty of error of judgment. That, of course, is ridiculous: admitting no known cause and then attempting to put bad judgment to a man who cannot now answer for himself. Press accounts also spoke of a "pilot tube," no doubt a telegraphic error for "pilot tube," which is the head of the standard air speed indicator. The official text of the inquiry might resolve these apparent confusions, and no doubt it does. On the other hand, a distinction should be made here and now between what people inquire afterwards on the ground believe to have been sound judgment, and what the pilot-in-the-air was faced with at the time of the difficulty. Where the pilot in question is dead, it is not in the best of wisdom to attempt to say what he should or should not have done. He was the only one who knew conditions precisely as they were on board the plane at the instant. In going to the bottom of the accident, we cannot say that under given conditions that or that should be done. That is all right, too, in so far as it goes; but only the pilot on the job can speak with any competency as to the real conditions at any given moment in a particular ship at the one spot in the air where it happens to be.

In the course of the routine transmission of a message on landing telegrams, by mistake the long dash of the L for the short dash of the T, we can turn pilot tube into pilot tube, and gibberish, there is not some chance that we may be mistaken in what may have been the flesh and blood intentions of an experienced pilot, doing his best in what seems to have been a very tough spot indeed? Unless we know the thoughts and intentions of a man, we cannot say under any given circumstances whether his judgment was sound. Where we do not even know the precise circumstances, but must depend upon surface marks left on the ground, a few pieces of demolished fuselage, and the testimony of men who were one or more miles away at the time, it seems extremely risky to give a judgment from which there can be no appeal on this side of the hereafter. As I have said, the official text of the inquiry may clear up the confusion and put a different complexion on the whole affair. I am ready to trust and to believe that it will. It should be conceded that qualified experts, using fair intent and reasonable precaution, would make the inquiry.

The pity is that Canada has decreed that such investigations are to proceed behind closed doors. When you do things in camera you are shutting the public out from a reasonable opportunity to exercise its own judgment in a case; you are confining them to the text of an official report, or, as it happens in this instance, to the garbled report after transmission across the country. Open up the inquiries. Let the public see what is going on. Let the public learn at the root wherein the diminishing accident rate of flying is being lowered further still by skill, training, perseverance, and everlasting precaution. Or is flying to be a secret that the public must not share?

From Here and There

Twelve Chicago high schools offer a seven-week course in modern dancing. Educated feet in modern dancing. Educated feet as well as minds... Florida has planted twelve million pine trees during the past eight years. Any one ever hear of reforestation in our province?... Swing music is banned in many parts of Germany. It's also banned in our home... Ontario's 1938 tobacco crop of sixty million pounds is valued at \$15,200,000, an all-time high. Too bad; it will all go up in smoke... Canton, Ohio, passed an ordinance banning pigeons from flying over the business district. How mere canaries and pigeons be compared to the business district?... In San Antonio, Texas, an applicant for a police job, John Fine, prints blue notes he found was wanted in connection with a series of burglaries. A Sydney, New South Wales, artist blames the increase in the number of flats on the slumming in the production of oil paintings. Most modern flats have little room to hang pictures. London clergy have approved the Lambeth walk. Now Lambeth can dance with a clear conscience.—J.W.P.

UNSLIGHTLY ROADSIDES

Sir,—Having just returned from a drive to Sooke, I feel impelled to protest against what is being done on that road, and on many others, to spoil what we have yet left to us on our Island's natural roadside charm.

This Island is so small that it is hardly necessary to straighten out and make plain and uninteresting what we have yet left to us on the roadside.

It is the aspect of the civic auditorium which I especially want to stress. For a city which boasts so many advantages, Victoria is conspicuously lacking in a good theatre or a good concert auditorium. If we had a comfortable building, well lighted, with good acoustics, in a desirable location, there would be a far more encouragement to bring celebrated artists to our city, and there would also be far more likelihood of people filling such an auditorium, hence of good box office receipts.

By voting "yes" on Thursday we shall take thought not only for the present but for the future, and make possible a fuller cultural life for Victoria.

NOELINE BRUCE PEEBLES, President, Musical Society, Victoria, B.C., December 5, 1938.

PENSION PLAN

TO COST LESS

City Comptroller Examines Effect of New Bill on Superannuation

Passage of the Municipal Superannuation Bill will mean a saving to the city of about \$9,000 per year in payments to the Provincial Government, according to a survey made by D. A. Macdonald, city comptroller and treasurer.

He stated it would be impossible to determine the effect on employees now working for the city and contributing to the pension fund until such time as the Government's actuarial tables were prepared.

In dealing with the case of a former city employee with thirty-seven years' service, Mr. Macdonald explained the new pension plan would cut the man's allowance from \$95.04 per month to \$47.

Another pensioner with twenty-eight years' service would be reduced from \$110 to \$36.30 per month. A third, the widow of an employee with nineteen years' service, would be cut from \$98.54 to \$24.60. A fourth, with twelve years' service, would be reduced from \$109.97 to \$36.33, for twenty-seven years' service.

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Legislature Makes Progress on Bills In Active Sitting

Order Paper Lightened Before Press of New Legislation Makes Early Prorogation Uncertain—Gasoline Bolster Bill Is Rewritten

EFFORTS by the Provincial Government to patch up the Coal and Petroleum Products Control Board Act, not, as Attorney-General Wismer explained, to secure a measure held to be valid, but to improve the Province's position in litigation, provided chief debate at the single sitting of the British Columbia Legislature yesterday. The amending bill was considered in committee, changed in all of its three sections, and laid over for reprinting, after progress had been reported to the day.

In a debate covering the same ground as before, the Government clashed with the Conservative Opposition as to the advisability of proceeding with the bolster bill. R. L. Maitland, K.C., Leader of the Opposition, proposed again that the Administration repeat the parent statute, and add coal and petroleum services under the control of the intended new Public Utilities Commission.

REPEAL REJECTED

Mr. Maitland repeated his assertion that the original act had been based on the Macdonald report. Attorney-General Wismer insisted that it had not; and declared that repeal of the statute would do nothing to improve the Province's position. In its intent to desire to control gasoline prices in the interests of the public, Mr. Maitland proposed that the Government repeal the measure, and make a fresh start. The Administration, however, held firm in its decision, and reported progress on the much-amended bill.



VANCOUVER AND QUADRA LODGE NO. 2, A.F. & A.M.

The meeting called for Wednesday, the 7th inst., was postponed by reason of the death of our beloved Past Secretary, Wor. Bro. Francis F. Faist. By order, V. McR. ROLFE, Worshipful Master.

sections where there are no schools; and to make new qualifications for the election of trustees. Some clauses in the bill are to be left for a year.

MINING LAW

Amendments to the Mineral Act, of a minor nature, were ratified much as originally announced. They involve new rules for staking and assessing of assessment work; and the stake individually up to eight claims or 400 acres.

A total of 3,452,902 counter-slip orders had been handled by vendors' stores, for the suppression of bootlegging, was voted down on the assurance of Attorney-General Wismer that these records were available by regulation, if not by statute.

A brief exchange took place over changes in income taxation. Mr. Maitland, declaring authority was being taken to impose a 15 per cent tax on the reserves of hundreds of corporations, not restricted to holding companies; and H. E. Winch (C.O.F., Vancouver East) inviting the Government to go further and examine all depreciation reserves derived from exploitation of natural resources.

Defending the bill, Mr. Hart said that the authority would be used within reasonable bounds and not in the manner suggested by the Liquor Control Board and its agents. The Attorney-General declared, asking the House to kill the bill. The bill was killed before second reading.

POWERS OF ARREST

Second reading followed without debate for Bill 76, a measure in which, for the control of social diseases, the Provincial Secretary is to be given powers of arrest without warrant, detention without court trial and imprisonment "at pleasure" upon the suspicion that individuals may have contracted or may have been exposed to transmissible disease within the meaning of the measure.

Hon. G. S. Pearson explained changes in the Workmen's Compensation Act, financed in part from surplus funds of some \$500,000 built up by the board, and in part by added levies of \$150,000 on employers.

Opposition bills were faced poorly, one being killed, one being rejected on motion of order, two being withdrawn, and debate adjourned on the remainder of the measures reached.

Five message bills, elsewhere reported, and amendments to the Legal Professions Act were introduced for first reading just before the House rose for the day.

MEASURES EXPLAINED

Opposition bills were uniformly turned back from the Government side.

E. E. Winch, M.P.P., withdrew a measure applying habeas writs under the Lunacy Act; and a companion bill dealing with mental hospitals. Mr. Winch also argued stoutly for a third bill to improve working conditions in general hospitals, by introduction of an eight-hour day, holidays and protection against the exploitation of student nurses. Committed for this measure, Mr. Winch was informed that the Government would secure any improvement found possible by means of regulations.

Mr. Speaker Whittaker gave a rousing declaration a bill by H. E. Winch, M.P.P., out of order. In contrast, the Public Schools Act, completed in committee after amendments, it was explained that the intention was to provide free school to the end of the junior matriculation period; to increase fees paid to rural teachers in isolated

sections with proposed changes to the Woodmen's Lien Act.

A bill offered by the leader of the Opposition to permit the Commissioner of Provincial Police and city police chiefs free access to written orders in Government vendors' stores, for the suppression of bootlegging, was voted down on the assurance of Attorney-General Wismer that these records were available by regulation, if not by statute.

The bill was killed before second reading.

After introduction of a rush of new bills, the House rose at 5:45 p.m., until 2:15 p.m. today, the order for triple sittings being remitted in view of complaints on the floor.

At adjournment, prorogation appeared unlikely before the end of this week.

DINNER MARKS CHRISTMASTIDE

Local Credit Granters Usher In Their Busiest Season In Jovial Fashion

The luncheon of the Victoria Credit Granters' Association, held yesterday in Spencer's dining-room, radiated the spirit of Christmas throughout. With turkey and plum pudding and all the other accessories of a Christmas dinner, the management of the dining-room had taken pains to decorate the tables with suitable embellishments.

The occasion brought forth from the members present thanks to the management for the excellent luncheon served, and for the splendid attendance of the members of the association. The announcement was made that the luncheon meeting would be the final one for the present year. The next meeting will be held on January 10, 1939.

The meeting was presided over by Thomas MacPherson, manager of the Home Oil Company in Victoria, who called for experiences from the members with respect to the ways in which the credit reports of the organization helped them, and also as to what were the important aspects of the task which fell upon the credit man during the busy season of Christmas trade.

Interesting statements were made by the members, and the important fact was impressed upon them that with the Christmas period, the credit man must function irrespective of the holiday season. There was no holiday for him.

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COWICHAN, Dec. 5.—Chief Operator J. Daniels, officer in charge of the Dominion Government wireless station at Cape Lazo, has been transferred to Vancouver. He will go to

the Marine Building station in place of Tommy Raine, also formerly of Cape Lazo. To replace Mr. Daniels at Cape Lazo, R. G. Emmerson will return to the Comox district from Prince Rupert.

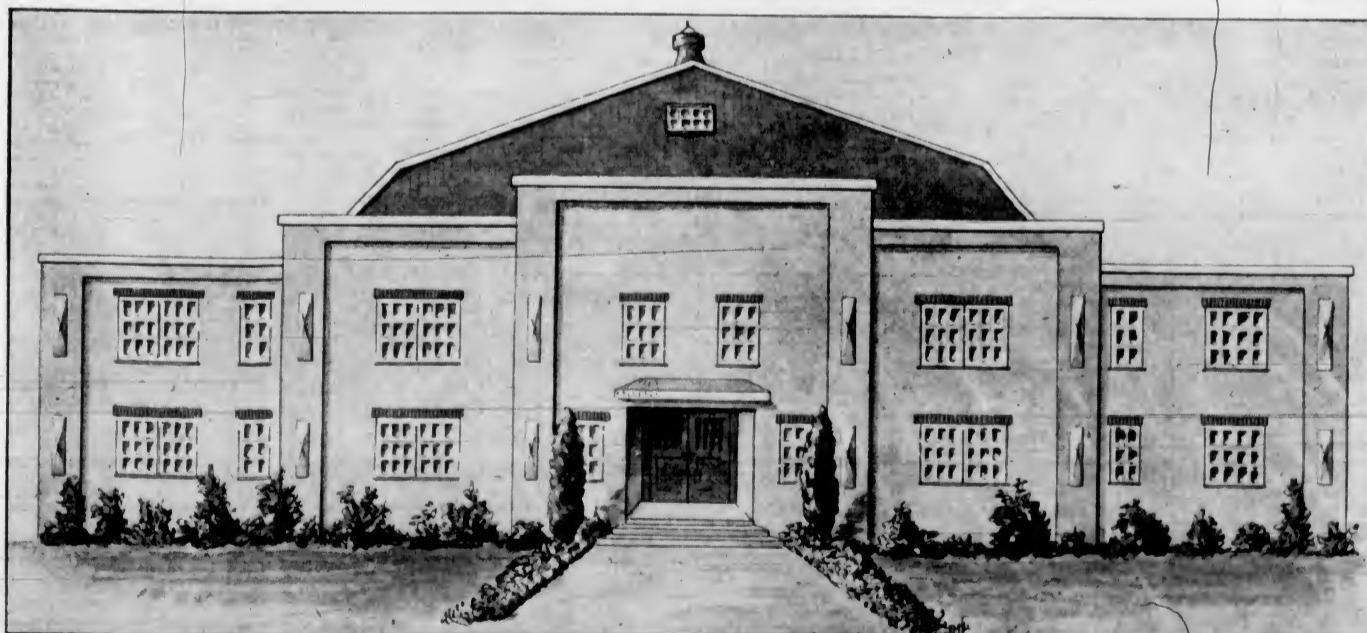
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DRAMAS AND OTHER STAGE PLAYS
LARGE PUBLIC MEETINGS



FRONTAL ELEVATION OF PROPOSED CIVIC AUDITORIUM AND SPORTS ARENA

Tomorrow all citizens whose names are on the Voters' List will be asked to vote on the following question: "Are you in favor of the City of Victoria borrowing from the Dominion Government under the provisions of 'The Municipal Improvements and Assistance Act, 1938,' the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) with interest at Two Per Centum (2%) per annum, repayable over a period of twenty (20) years, and to be repaid in semi-annual payments of principal and interest combined, proceeds of loan to be used for the construction and equipment of a Civic Auditorium and Sports Arena?" For some years the need in Victoria for a Civic Auditorium and Sports Arena has been apparent to all. The opportunity is now here to obtain the necessary funds from the Dominion Government at the exceptionally low rate of interest of 2%. The loan will be endorsed by the Provincial Government, and will be repayable annually at \$9,136.68. This rate will include the interest and repayment of the capital sum loaned.

Not only will such a building be of inestimable value to the growing tourist business of this City, but it will also be of perhaps, we might say, even more value to the youth of Victoria. All cities of the size and importance of Victoria, and a large number of smaller communities throughout the Dominion, have Civic Auditoriums and Sports Arenas, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast, these Civic Centres not only are more than meeting fixed charges, but are in many instances also showing a handsome profit. We feel that from whatever angle the matter is considered, it is abundantly clear that a Civic Auditorium and Sports Arena as is proposed will be a definite asset to our City, and we therefore ask every voter to vote "Yes" tomorrow.

(Signed) J. W. SPENCER, W. C. MORESBY, F. E. WINSLOW, E. TAYLOR, DUNCAN MACBRIDE,
(Civic Auditorium and Sports Arena Committee)

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In the Realm of Women

Santa Claus To Be at Tea For Children

Santa Claus will be at the Empress Hotel on Saturday, December 17, to greet his young friends when the annual children's Christmas tea will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock in the crystal ballroom, to be sponsored by the Junior Auxiliary to St. Joseph's Hospital, under the distinguished patronage of Mrs. Eric W. Hamber.

Mr. William Harkness, the Canadian Houdini, by request has been invited to give a short programme of magic. Last year he was most popular with the youngsters in producing fluffy bunnies from a hat and from out of the air. Even more mystifying tricks will be performed by the magician, which should thrill every little boy and girl in attendance.

Florence Clough will present a half-hour programme of music and dancing by her small pupils. The tiny tots were a great hit with the guests last year, several novel and original dance routines being included on the programme, which was one of much variety.

DISTRIBUTE BALLOONS

Miss Margaret Vantright, as general convener, is working hard to make the entertainment even more exciting than in the past, and at the conclusion of the afternoon, balloons will be distributed to the children by members of the auxiliary, dressed as Santa Claus' helpers.

The ever popular wheel of fortune will be conducted by Santa Claus, and a plan is being worked out so that everyone will be able to participate in it. Christmas trees, brightly illuminated and laden with gifts, will form only a small part of the decorations, and the hotel orchestra, under the baton of Mr. William Tickie, will play Christmas music and nursery rhyme tunes, which are always favorites on such an occasion.

The committee assisting Miss Vantright includes Mrs. D. B. Roxburgh, Miss Evelyn Duffield, Miss Doreen Cattroll, Miss Helen Eve and Miss Patricia Carney. Tickets may be purchased from members or at the hotel, and reservations must be made with the head waiter.

Weddings

MELHUS—DICKINSON
BAMFIELD, B.C., Dec. 6.—A quiet wedding was solemnized on November 4, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. B. Gullister, Rev. U. Lait uniting in marriage Ada daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dickinson, Bamfield, and Mr. Rudolph John Melhus, Gibson's Landing. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a rust crepe gown with hunter's green accessories, and

Celebrates First Birthday



Photograph by Mrs. ... and Mrs. J. H. T. Pearce, 634 Cormorant Street, and grandmother of Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Connell, 335 Niagara Street, and of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Pearce, 825 Simcoe Street. He has just celebrated his first birthday.

a corsage bouquet of Talsman roses. She was attended by Miss Sylvia Rock, Mr. A. Hutchinson supported the groom. After the ceremony, a reception was held. Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Melhus left by launch, en route to Victoria.

Women's Institutes

CRAIGFLOWER
The Craigflower W.I. will hold a bazaar this afternoon at St. Martin's-in-the-Field Hall, which will be opened by Mrs. Palmer at 2 p.m.

ROYAL OAK

Under the auspices of the Royal Oak Institute, a concert will be presented this evening by the Victoria Male Voice Choir. Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, the monthly meeting of the institute will be held, when nominations will be in order. Members are requested to send their names in mind and attend, if possible.

LAKE HILL

Final arrangements have been made for the hobby-craft competition and silver tea which will be held on Friday afternoon in the Lake Hill Community Hall from 3

I.O.D.E. Activities

Allies Chapter

The monthly meeting of the Allies Chapter, held recently in St. Augustine's Hall, Deep Cove, in the chair, was decided to send a number of hampers to needy families in the district. Members and friends wishing to contribute were asked to send contributions to St. Andrew's Hall, Third Street, Sidney. The following merchants in the district have allowed boxes to be placed in their premises for receiving contributions: Sidney Trading Company, Sidney Cash and Carry and Deep Cove Trading Co.

Gonoles Chapter

It was reported at the monthly meeting of Gonoles Chapter yesterday at headquarters that the recent bazaar had realized \$82 for the chapter. The sum of \$5 was voted to the Solarium; \$10 to Child Welfare; \$5 to the Corps of Commissioners; and \$10 to the Susti Sorabji Memorial fund. Mrs. Curtis Sampson thanked all those who contributed to the Christmas parcel for the Peace River district, which had been sent off during the month. A committee, headed by the regent, Mrs. B. H. T. Drake, was appointed to make plans for the chapter's travel accessories and novelties stall at the I.O.D.E. fair at the Armory on February 15. The members will meet each week to see and prepare for the stall.

At the Hotels

Dominion

W. W. Grey, Toronto; J. A. McKay, R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Burne, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lion, Seattle; Mrs. Hughes, Vancouver; M. H. Miller, Campbell River; A. B. Palmer, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. McLaren, Perth; Ont.; W. H. Johnston, T. W. Thorne, Mrs. Ogden, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Carter, Courtenay; T. S. Barker, Vancouver.

Liberal Card Party

In aid of the Shawinigan senior "B" girls' basketball team, which they sponsor, the members of the Shawinigan Liberal Association held a successful card party on Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hollett. Twelve tables of cribbage and four of bridge were made up, with prizes won by the following: Bridge, first, Mrs. F. T. Elford and "Pat" Robertson; consolation, Mrs. W. B. Brooke and H. Mawle; cribbage, first, Mrs. G. Orr and J. Perry; consolation, Miss J. Batchelor and F. Cullen.

T.V.A. Auxiliary
Under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary to the Tubercular Veterans' Association, a successful "country fair" was held recently in the Britannia Branch, B.E.S.L. rooms. The audience was entertained by the following artists: Master Maurice

Cubs-Societies

Victoria West W.M.S.
Christmas music was a feature of the meeting of the W.M.S. of Victoria West United Church, held at the home of Mrs. George Guy, on Monday afternoon, when Rev. C. D. Clarke gave a Christmas message. Mr. Clarke also presided during the election of officers, the slate of the nominating committee as given by Mrs. L. A. Young being accepted unanimously as follows: Mrs. W. F. Perry, president; Mrs. James Hood, first vice-president; Mrs. George Guy, second vice-president; treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Croft; recording secretary, Mrs. G. M. Newell; secretary of Christian stewardship, Mrs. A. W. Wright; stranger secretary, Mrs. Hilda Moore; moderator, Mrs. Guy; supply, Mrs. L. A. Young; historian, Mrs. Harry Watson; envelopes, Mrs. William Galey; Missionary monthly, temperance and C.G.I.T.; Miss Minnie Beattie; corresponding secretary and press, Mrs. Newell. The January meeting will be held in the church parlor on January 9 and in connection with it a birthday tea will be held to provide an expenses fund for the year. Mrs. Guy will arrange a musical programme and the executive will form the refreshment committee. Mrs. J. H. Croft, the treasurer, read a report and announced that the year's allocation had been exceeded by a gratifying amount. Mrs. Young gave a resume of the two closing chapters of the study book. The members, both active and inactive, were entertained at tea by Mrs. Guy, with Mrs. Hood and Mr. Ernest Hobson presiding at the tea and coffee urn.

St. Matthew's Junior W.A.
A successful sale of work and silver tea was held on Saturday afternoon by the Junior W.A. of St. Matthew's Church, Lanford, at the home of Mrs. G. T. Phillips. A short programme was given by the members, followed by a talk by Miss Checkley, diocesan secretary, who presented badges for perfect attendance to several members. Mrs. Harris then spoke of the work of the Little Helpers, a branch of which will soon be started at St. Matthew's, in connection with the Parish of St. John's, Colwood. On Monday afternoon the annual meeting of the Junior W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Pindler. A very satisfactory report of the year's work and activities was given by the secretary. Contributions were made to the Junior W.A. pledge fund and St. Matthew's Missionary apportionment to the M.S.C.C. Kathleen Willard was elected secretary, and Beverly Pindler, treasurer. Ten members asked for dolls to dress for the competition for 1939. Mrs. C. Willard, Mrs. Pindler, Miss J. Seabrook and Miss Coens, assisted by the Junior W.A. members, served tea.

Orphanage Committee
The regular meeting of the ladies' committee of the Protestant Orphans' Home was held on Monday. There are now twelve girls and eighteen boys in residence. Rev. Dr. J. B. Rowell continues his weekly talks to the children. The Hudson's Bay Co. sent tickets for twenty children to attend the Santa Claus show at the Capitol Theatre. Mrs. Butler and Mrs. O. M. Brown kindly entertained the children last Friday evening with slides showing pictures of the life of Christ. Mr. Huizenga had charge of the lantern, and ice cream and cake were served to the children after the show. The children and staff have been invited to the Blue Line Bus Co. to go for a drive next Saturday in the new bus. Mrs. F. C. Dillibough and Mrs. B. T. Elliott will visit the home in December. Mrs. Coutts, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. O. M. Brown were appointed as nominating committee.

St. Luke's W.A.

St. Luke's W.A. held its regular business meeting in the Parish Hall, when nominations for the election were offered. An interesting feature of the afternoon was the presentation to Mrs. S. Ryall, wife of the rector, of a cheque as a mark of esteem from her fellow workers in the women's auxiliary. The auxiliary held a successful tea and Christmas bazaar in the Parson Hall on Saturday, when the sum of \$190 was realized. Colonel A. Sharland, who opened the bazaar, spoke of his pleasant recollections as a former member of the parish. He also mentioned the loss the church would feel on the forthcoming retirement of the rector, Rev. Canon S. Ryall. Mrs. Sharland was presented with a sheaf of yellow chrysanthemums.

Wilton Read Y.P.S.

There was a good attendance at the weekly meeting of the Wilton Read Y.P.S. held on Monday evening. In the absence of the president, William Allan presided and Christine Lahmer led in the devotional period. The guest speaker, Mr. Hill, president of the Toastmasters Club of Victoria, gave an interesting talk on "The Proper Attitudes of Youth to Modern Life." This was followed by an open discussion, and on motion of Miss Florence Cummings, a hearty vote of thanks was extended to the speaker. The next meeting will include a "Quiz" period, and the practice of Christmas carols. Community singing was then enjoyed, and refreshments served by the social committee.

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Langford Subdivision of the Catholic Women's League will be held tomorrow evening at the home of the president, Mrs. M. Fagan, Atkins Road.

A. and N. Auxiliary

The Army and Navy Women's Auxiliary will hold a card-party in the clubrooms, Wharf Street, tomorrow at 8 p.m.

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Social and Personal

A charmingly arranged dinner party was held last evening in the private dining-room of the Empress Hotel, when the wives of the private members of the Legislature were hostesses, their guests being Mrs. E. W. Hamber, Mrs. Mae Rice, Mrs. T. D. Pattullo, Mrs. R. W. Mayhew, Mrs. John Hart, Mrs. Gordon S. Wismer, Mrs. J. W. Asselstine, Mrs. F. M. MacPherson, Mrs. K. C. MacDonald, Miss Eileen MacDonald and Mrs. Norah Whitaker. The dinner table was arranged with a pale green damask cloth and pink chrysanthemums. Green tapers glowed in silver candelabra. The hostesses were Mrs. Frank Putnam, Mrs. J. H. Forrester, Mrs. Thomas King, Mrs. R. H. Carson, Mrs. C. R. Bell, Mrs. G. H. Tupper, Mrs. R. R. Burns, Mrs. W. T. Strath, Mrs. L. LeBourdais, Mrs. J. M. Bryan, Mrs. Eason, Mrs. M. Connolly, Mrs. Glen Braden, Mrs. R. L. Maitland, Mrs. E. V. Finland, Mrs. J. D. Hunter and Mrs. L. H. Eyes.

Silver Anniversary

Celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding, which took place at St. Matthew's Church, Croydon, England, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Aldous "are at home" to a large number of their friends yesterday afternoon at their beautiful residence at Cadboro Point, Cadboro Bay. The hostess received her guests in a handsome robe of hand-made lace over jade silk, the former being part of her wedding trousseau. Reception-hall, drawing-room and dining-room were lavishly decked with carnations, roses and hot-house chrysanthemums, the gifts of friends and the presiding at the candlelit tea-table, the feature of which was the enormous silver-trimmed two-tiered wedding cake surrounded by Ophelia roses in dainty silver vases, were Mrs. Helen Gillespie, Mrs. Harold Campbell, Mrs. David Clark and Miss Alma Russell. After tea, cocktails were served when Mr. Kyrie Symons, who was a schoolfellow of Mr. Aldous at Dulwich, England, made a happy speech of good wishes to the "bride" and "bridegroom," who were heartily toasted by the assembled company. Responding in equally happy vein, Mr. Aldous added a word of regret at the unavoidable absence of the two other members of the family, their two sons, John and Peter, the former being at the University of British Columbia, the latter with No. 11 Flying Training School, Shropshire, England. Earlier in the afternoon a handsome Sheffield silver tray was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Aldous by their friends.

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Married Here on Saturday



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Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Edward West

Who were married on Saturday at the former home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Merriman. The bride was Miss Elsie Roberta Merriman, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. West, Lac La Biche, Alberta.

Bridge Tea Held
Mrs. Spencer Waters entertained at a delightful bridge tea yesterday afternoon at her home on Transit Road. The players were Mrs. T. M. Knob, Mrs. Austin-Leigh, Mrs. R. P. Clark, Mrs. B. H. Heisterman, Mrs. T. S. Gore, Mrs. A. C. Burdick, Mrs. L. Ashburnham and Mrs. Sutherland Brown. Mrs. Ashburnham presided at the tea table, which was arranged with an attractive centerpiece of pink snapdragons and salmon pink single chrysanthemums. The tea guests were Mrs. Biggestaff Wilson, Mrs. E. G. Prior, Mrs. W. P. D. Pemberton, Mrs. J. R. McIlree, Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. Rupert Guthrie, Mrs. Parmyl Pare, Mrs. Alex Scott, Mrs. W. H. M. Haldane, Mrs. Ralph Johnston (Honolulu); and Mr. A. V. Price headed the committee in charge of the dance arrangements.

Launceton Party Held
Mrs. F. A. P. Chadwick and Miss Diana were hostesses at a luncheon party yesterday in St. John's schoolroom in honor of Mrs. Townley and Mrs. Fulton, the former having been a member of the Ladies' Guild of St. John's for thirty-seven years and of the church for fifty-three years. Mrs. Fulton has belonged to the Guild for thirty-four years and a member of the church congregation for forty-one years. After expressions of appreciation for their long service, each guest of honor was presented with a corsage bouquet by Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Tice. Mrs. Maunsel, president of the W.A., brought greetings from the branch.

At Empress Hotel
Visitors to Victoria who registered at the Empress Hotel yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J. Royan, Calgary; Mrs. F. A. Drumb, Ocean Falls; Miss N. Foster, Duncan; Mrs. Wayne Cos, Portland; Mr. LeQuen, W. H. Baumbrough, Vernon; M. E. McKenzie, John M. Gray, Toronto; H. Forbes-Roberts, Regina; I. W. Beverley, Winthrop; W. J. Taylor, Richmond Hill, Ont.; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howard, Miss Mabel H. Blackley, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hutchinson, R. Wilkinson, T. E. Wilson, G. H. Nowell, A. McR. Bull, R. N. Sargent, J. H. Taylor, Sherwood Lett, C. F. Thorpe, H. F. Meredith, Vancouver.

Shower is Arranged
A kitchen shower was held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. J. Britton, 707 Catherine Street, in honor of Miss Irene Simon. Prizes for games were won by Mrs. L. Lissney, Mrs. L. R. Simon, Mrs. P. Burley and Mrs. B. Kendall. The other guests were Mrs. J. Casillo, Mrs. F. Appleby, Mrs. Erickson, Mrs. S. Kendall, Mrs. G. Liggett, Misses Audrey Burton, Pearl Williams and Dorothy Kendall.

Leaving for South
Miss Josephine Rithet, who leaves today for Santa Paul, California, to stay with her aunt, Mrs. Harold Edwards, was the guest of honor at a small tea party given yesterday afternoon by Mrs. W. E. M. Mitchell, Granite Street. In the morning Miss Jean Lennox gave a coffee party in Miss Rithet's honor. Miss Rithet is planning an extensive trip after Christmas and expects to be in England next autumn.

To West Indies
Among passengers sailing on R.M.S. Lady Nelson, Canadian National Steamship West Indies service, which left Halifax recently, were Dr. and Mrs. Wright and child, and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lett, all of Victoria. Dr. and Mrs. Wright are booked for the one-way voyage to Antigua, while Mr. and Mrs. Lett are making the round trip to Barbados.

Children's Party
A children's party was held recently at the home of Mrs. H. Pest, Oswego Street, the occasion being the seventh birthday of her daughter, Patricia. The guests were Martin Davies, Dolores West, Betty and Barbara Westfield, Joan and Billy Hibbert, George Barton and Ronald Ferguson.

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Weavers Had Active Year

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute Weavers' Guild was held at the Victoria W.I. headquarters on Monday evening, which brought to a close a successful year, according to reports read by the secretary-treasurer, Miss Vera Kneivitt.

A substantial library of books of interest to weavers and spinners had been built up and two exhibitions were held during the year. The membership now stands at forty-one. After the reports, the president and secretary were presented with gifts in appreciation of their work throughout the year. Refreshments were served and a social hour ensued.

The following officers were elected: Mr. John Kyle, honorary president; Mrs. L. Schmelz, honorary vice-president; Mrs. J. L. White, president; Mrs. M. Findlay, vice-president; Mrs. Coulter, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. L. Johns, director; Miss Vera Kneivitt, director and librarian.

A request has been received from the Calgary branch of the Canadian Handicraft Association for a collection of hand-woven articles for the exhibition in Calgary on January 17, and weavers were asked to leave articles with Miss Kneivitt.

The next meeting of the guild will be held on January 23, when it is hoped Mr. Haste Cochrane will be the guest speaker.

Dance Held for Coast Hospital

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE
There will be a sale of home cooking, including all kinds of Christmas dainties at the white elephant sale, which will be held by the Girl Guides on Saturday at 6:30 Fort Street, next to the Posy Shop. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Mrs. L. A. Genge, Mrs. B. H. T. Drake and Mrs. Alfred Woodcroft. Contributions will be called for by telephoning E 8395.

Mrs. Fred Robertson, Cadboro
Mrs. Fred Robertson, Cadboro, Bay, returned from Seattle yesterday, having been the guest for ten days of Mrs. Fred Robertson-Green, "The Highlands" and while there attended the Seattle Symphony concert.

Returns Home

Miss Kathleen McIntyre has re-

turned to her home in Victoria after spending the past three months visiting relatives in Eastern Canada.

Bishop Cody Opens Sale

The annual Christmas bazaar in aid of St. Andrew's Cathedral attracted a large crowd of shoppers yesterday to the K. of C. Hall, the first of the two days' sale closing with a substantial sum in the treasury. The affair was opened at 10:30 a.m. by Most Rev. J. C. Cody, D.D., Bishop of Victoria, who complimented the workers on the undertaking and wished them every possible success.

Monsignor A. G. Baker

was the general convener. Mrs. Blair Reid had charge of the fancywork stall, and the other stalls were convened as follows: Candy, Children of Mary; aprons, Mrs. B. Hunter; home cooking, Mrs. E. Masterson; soft drinks, Anglican Youth Organization; Christmas trees, Miss H. B. Brien; novelties, Miss Nora O'Donnell; miscellaneous, Mr. J. Young and Miss Kinsinger; fruit cake, Mrs. T. Cannon; dolls, Mrs. E. St. Martin; contest, Mrs. C. McManus.

Luncheon Tea and Hot Supper

were served by the hard-working

committee comprising Mrs. J. L. Thompson and Mrs. J. Devine Sr.

and bingo and hoop-la were in charge of the Knights of Columbus.

This evening the prizes will be turkeys and blankets.

The bazaar will continue today and there are still many attractive stalls to be found on the various stalls.

Mock Wedding Is Staged at Party

Miss Marcia Beach and Miss Evey

Day were hostesses to a number

of their friends at the home of Miss Beach's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Beach, 460 Kingston Street, on Saturday evening.

The feature of the evening was a mock wedding, in which Marcia Beach and Frank Grimston were bride and groom; James Romaine, the minister; George Low, the father; Kay Sullivan, the mother-in-law; Keith Ross-Jones, the father-in-law; Wavenay Bishop Drew, Irene Wilmott and Marie Clarke, the bridesmaids; Eva Barrie and Alec Merriman, the flower girls; Sam Rundall, the maid of honor; Fred Mills, the ring-bearer.

For the remainder of the evening dancing and games were enjoyed.

Kay Sullivan, Eva Barrie, George Low and Tony Grimston were the winners of various games.

Seated at the prettily decorated table, centred by a spray of silver grapes placed on a table mirror with red tapers on either side, Mrs. T. A. Martin and Mrs. E. G. Day presided at the coffee urns.

Among the invited guests were

Maries Irene Wilmott, Eva Barrie,

Marie Clarke, Wavenay Bishop,

Rena Smith, Kay Sullivan and Vera Drew; Meeks, Fred Mills, George Low, Tony Grimston, Keith Ross-Jones, Edward Drew, Alec Merriman, George Gilbert, Jim Romaine and Samuel Rundall.

To Aid Homeless

A silver tea in aid of the homeless

single unemployed will be held this

afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock, at

the home of Mrs. Orr, 3228 Erina

Street, Burnside Road.

Vote "Yes" for Sports Arena and Box Lacrosse.

Will Be Soloist In Egyptian Dance

REGISTRATION PLAN ADVANCED

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L. C. S. Amery, Conservative, head of the Army League, and formerly Colonial Secretary, proved the most bitter critic of the proposed voluntary register, flatly condemning it as "utterly inadequate."

The debate was on Sir John Anderson's motion: "That the House approves the proposals of His Majesty's Government for a national register."

ATTACK FROM LABOR

Arthur Greenwood and Mr. Attlee attacked the motion for Labor after Sir John, who spoke twice, outlined the voluntary service and declared compulsory national registration was not necessary to fill the gaps in the defence services.

Sir John Minister in Charge of Civilian Defence, described the Government's plan for a voluntary register which would be changed quickly to a nation-wide compulsory register of manpower and woman-power in war time.

MISSIONER COMING

Mr. Harry Johnson, missioner of the Greater World Spiritualist League, will be in Victoria tomorrow. He will stay at 1042 Balmoral Road, and will address a meeting of the combined Spiritualist Churches there at 8 p.m.

ESQUIMALT CARD PARTY

The executive of the Esquimalt Hall Association has completed arrangements for a progressive five hundred game to be held in St. Paul's Parish Hall on Saturday at 8:15 p.m. There will be turkey and other prizes. The public is invited to attend.

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Bureau Collecting Fund to Help Needy Families to Budget Celebration

Every mother and father knows the joy of preparing the family Christmas celebration. Actually purchasing and preparing the dinner gives infinitely more joy to most parents than having a ready-made meal brought to the table and other persons bought gifts for the children.

That is why the Christmas Bureau this year has decided to make gifts of cash to families instead of presenting hampers. And to this end they are appealing for donations to a Christmas fund which will be distributed to 700 households for Yuletide cheer.

Friends sympathetic to the cause may leave their subscriptions at any one of four places: The headquarters of the bureau, Welfare House, Pandora Avenue; The Times; The Colonist business office, or CFCT radio headquarters, Union Building, View Street.

The Christmas Bureau, which consists of a committee of representatives of the Council of Social Agencies, met yesterday afternoon to discuss organization plans and other details, including the dates of four broadcast appeals to be made between December 15 and 22. Alderman W. H. Davies, the chairman, and there were present also Mrs. Kenneth Barr, the secretary; George A. C. Weir, treasurer; Lady Barnard, F. E. Winslow, Miss Lavina McLaughlin, E. W. Snowden, Miss Alberta Creaser, Dr. D. M. Duncan, F. M. McGregor and police detachment.

George MacDonald. Other members of the committee are Kenneth C. Drury, Dr. Olga Jardine, Mrs. R. R. Taylor and Robert Smith.

GRATEFUL RECIPIENTS

The same policy of sending cheques instead of hampers was followed by the bureau last year, and scores of letters from grateful fathers and mothers testified to the appreciation with which the donations were received. One father wrote that it was such kind expression of good will that made him lot a little easier to bear; another writes that she would be able to get her children a few things she had given up all hope of having for Christmas. Some spent the money on actual necessities; others diverted a little for "extras" not purchasable in the ordinary way by families on relief.

The total sum collected last year was \$2,129.40, and approximately 700 cheques, varying from \$1 to \$10 were distributed to families in need.

Much the same policy will be followed this year, viz., of allocating the money according to the need of the family or individual helped. Those who subscribe need have no doubt as to the need of those who are to receive, as names will be checked through the Christmas Exchange.

Police Searching For Missing Man

NANAIMO, Dec. 6.—Provincial Police of the Island, at the request of the family, have taken up the search for Thomas King, seventy-nine, who left his son's residence on Saturday last, at Ladysmith, and despite an intensive search by friends and relatives, has not been seen since. A report that a man answering his description was seen on Monday near Qualicum Beach is being investigated by the Nanaimo police detachment.

Seattle Soprano to Sing in "Messiah"



—Photograph by Walters Studio.

MARGARET MOSS HEMION

Seattle, who will sing the soprano solo in the fifth annual performance of Handel's "Messiah," to be given at Christ Church Cathedral on Wednesday, December 14, by the Victoria Choral and Orchestral Union. Following her singing of the same music with the Seattle Symphony, Miss Hemion received from the distinguished conductor, Basil Cameron, a letter in which he said that he considered her "the best exponent of oratorio singing on the Coast."

BUILDING AT COURTEMAY

COURTEMAY, Dec. 5.—Permits for buildings valued at \$51,845 were issued at Courtemay up to the end of October. This is slightly in excess of last year's figure of \$47,669, and compares favorably with other provincial centres.

No TURNING

by Kathryn Bemis ~

Author of "Love in Danger," "Adventure in Love," etc.

CHAPTER XV

When Kay came up to the group surrounding Chuck, a policeman was saying, "But we got orders to search him, miss."

"What is this—a trick?" demanded Adele. "If it is—it's a poor one."

She turned to Kay, said cautiously, "I'm glad you're here, Kay, to straighten this out. Is this some prank of yours?"

"Certainly not!" Kay flared, standing close to the puzzled Chuck.

"Well—let's get on with the show. I'm perfectly willing to be searched," said Chuck, with a laugh.

"The very idea! It's an insult!" declared Adele. "What are you two officers looking for?"

"The sapphire ring lost by Miss Millstrom," replied one.

"And you had to stage it here!" Kay said sharply, under her breath.

Kay turned quickly to the men.

"You're making a grave mistake," said Millstrom. "I didn't order this man searched. He's a friend of mine."

"Sorry, Miss Millstrom—but orders are orders," broke in the other officer.

"We'll have to see the thing through, Kay, put in Chuck, trying to make light of the awkward situation he found himself in. "Let them do their duty. They won't find anything incriminating on me."

"It's an outrage!" exclaimed Adele. "It's strange, Kay, that this man doesn't know what brought this on."

Kay paid no attention to this cutting insinuation. She only said unsteadily, "Perhaps it would be better, Chuck, to allow it. We know

you haven't my ring. It's preposterous."

The others in the crowd, breathless with suspense and afraid of missing any part of this drama, were avidly watching developments. They would do their thinking later, if ever.

"This police raid would be the subject of tea and cocktail parties, luncheons, breakfasts, and formal dinners. The tale would be embellished until Chuck's reputation was precariously balanced."

Kay's facial muscles contracted, she felt peculiarly cold all over. This seemed like a horrid, fantastic dream that somehow she might have pre-empted.

One of the officers began taking articles from the right pocket of Chuck's white flannel waistcoat. A match folder, a diamond-studded compact. Kay glanced swiftly at Adele, smiled cryptically at the old trick. She forgot to ask for the compact after the party, and must see the man the following day to retrieve it. Sub-deb tactics! She had tricked herself when she had been just out of boarding school.

In Chuck's left coat pocket was found a revolver. Both officers squinted at it without naming the subject. One of them handed it to Kay, asking, "Know this guy?"

Kay flashed a glance at Chuck, who suddenly seemed intensely interested in the velvety, starlit sky.

"It's a picture of me," she admitted stoutly.

"Is that so? Well—you must be a friend of his, all right."

"He was a guest in my mother's home for several weeks," she informed him.

The man nodded abstractly and began searching the pockets of Chuck's white flannel coat.

Chuck darted a reassuring glance at Kay, and grinned sheepishly. She felt her face burn, but smiled back her confidence in him.

"Carrying my picture over his heart!" she thought miserably.

His right-hand coat pocket yielded a crumpled handkerchief, a package of cigarettes. From the left was taken something small enough to be held in the officer's palm. He squinted down at it, satisfaction registered on his florid face.

He wheeled to Kay. "Ever see this before, Miss Millstrom?"

"Oh!" she gasped, in astonishment. "Why—it's my ring!" she admitted, then could have bitten off her tongue.

She turned to Chuck, her heart in her throat. He couldn't—he couldn't have done this to her!

"Chuck—" she began brokenly.

"Chuck—where—what—"

"It's as much a surprise to me as it must be to you, Kay," he said, bewildered.

"What on earth is going on here?" demanded Cora Millstrom, coming up with Hennington Blare in tow.

"What are you officers doing here?"

"We've just found Miss Millstrom's ring. This young man's pocket," one of them replied.

"Hump!" ejaculated Blare. "What are you dillydallying for? Why don't you arrest him and be off with him?"

"Beg pardon, Miss Millstrom," murmured Blare, the Beinson's butler. "May I speak to you alone? It's very urgent."

(To Be Continued.)

SIXTEEN MEN KILLED IN MINE DISASTER

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were dead before they could be carried to the surface.

The men who died in the shaft were carried up on rough board slabs beneath an impromptu tarpaper shroud and were taken to the colliery washroom, converted into an emergency morgue.

From the scattered stations and from the crews who shifted the injured from one quarter to another in the dark hospital came periodic reports of more deaths. The total rose or fell with each report, and at one time it was reported the death list might reach thirty. But the verbal reports were found to duplicate those already listed.

The total injured were set down at more than two score. Some of them, after receiving first aid, were able to return home with their wives and families, many of whom stood for hours around the mine mouth, waiting word from the depths.

WAIT IN SILENCE

In spite of the suspense for the women and children who waited, there was hardly a murmur as the puffing rescuers carried out their grim burdens. The crowd stood orderly behind police lines while unhesitating doctors and nurses administered first aid at the spot.

Priests and ministers went down in the mine with the first aid squads and administered last rites or comforted the injured.

It was hours after the accident occurred that coherent details first were learned. Those who escaped had the remarkable misfortune related tales of the terrifying ride that carried them helplessly down the 10 per cent grade for nearly three miles.

But none could offer an explanation for the broken cable, tested to carry more than four times the strain imposed on it at the time.

WITHOUT WARNING

The break came without warning. Some said it occurred about 1,000 feet from the last of the twenty-six cars, which are lowered into the shaft under their own momentum. As the haul line broke the little train shot away and began rocking and rolling crazily as it gathered

speed down the grade. Many of the men threw themselves from the cars to the narrow edges of the shaft, only eleven feet in diameter.

Others hesitated and remained until the crash. Some were buried far back up the shaft. Others were killed outright and remained imprisoned in the wreckage until freed by axes and sledge hammers.

The actual crash was believed to have been caused by the front car, trapping the rails and forming a wedge which piled the other cars in a smoking heap. The train was estimated to have been traveling about sixty miles an hour at the time.

NAMES OF VICTIMS

Victims of the Princess Collier disaster were listed tonight as follows:

Dead:

James Alpinall, fifty-eight, survived by widow and three children.

George Brown, forty-two, survived by widow and two daughters.

Donald Brown, sixty-four, survived by widow and two daughters.

Edward Daws, thirty-five, survived by widow and several children.

Dick Dixon, thirty-five, single.

William B. MacDonald, sixty, survived by widow and children.

William J. MacDonald, fifty-two, survived by widow and children.

Murdock MacGregor, sixty, sur-

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WINNIPEG AND ARGOS IN TRAINING FOR FINAL

**Favorites Advance
As Play Continues
In Badminton Meet**

Seeded Netters Score Impressive Triumphs in City Championships at Willows Courts—Miss Joyce Thomson and Jimmy Watt Reach Semis

Seeded netters marched onward in the city badminton championships last night at the Willows Club courts as play in the annual tournament moved into the third day. The meet will continue this evening when a number of important matches will be run off. The semi-finals will be played tomorrow evening and the 1938-39 champions will be crowned on Friday.

Making their first appearance in defense of their singles crowns, Miss Joyce Thomson and Jimmy Watt, Brentwood shuttle stars, advanced to the semi-final rounds of their respective divisions with impressive triumphs. Displaying top form, Miss Thomson semi-finalist, Miss Doreen Swayne, Victoria Garrison Club netter, to the sidelines with an 11-7, 11-2 defeat, while Watt defeated Ralph Bagley, home club player, 15-4, 15-11.

George Lane, Saanich titleholder, moved into the semi-final round with Watt by virtue of a 15-3, 15-3 triumph over Pat Colclough. In a first-round match, Don Davis, a former finalist, stroked his way to a 15-4, 15-3 victory over J. Wells, of the Civil Service Club.

REACH SEMIS

Miss Marjorie Hughes and Miss Gladys McCall, Willows Club shuttlers, accompanied Miss Joyce Thomson into the semi-final round with straight-set victories over Miss Lorne Thomson and Miss B. Murdoch, respectively.

Favorites advanced in the mixed open doubles with five of the six matches being decided in two sets. In the extra-set duel Miss P. Sluggett and Jimmy Watt, Saanich champions, finally eliminated Miss B. Baker and George Lane, Victoria-Willows combination, after a great match.

Results follow:

WOMEN'S SINGLES

First Round

Miss P. Macdonald defeated Miss K. Grogan, 13-10, 11-4.

Second Round

Miss J. Thomson defeated Miss D. Swayne, 11-7, 11-2.

Miss G. McCall defeated Miss B. Murdoch, 11-7, 11-3.

Miss M. Hughes defeated Miss L. Thomson, 11-9, 11-7.

MEN'S SINGLES

First Round

D. Davies defeated J. Wells, 15-4, 15-3.

Second Round

J. Watt defeated R. Bagley, 15-4, 15-11.

G. Lane defeated P. Colclough, 15-3, 15-3.

MIXED HANDICAP DOUBLES

Second Round

Miss L. Fancett and D. Fish defeated Miss N. Rice-Jones and A. Baker, 15-12, 15-9.

Miss B. Baker and P. Salmon defeated Miss M. McGowan and P. Wilcox, 15-11, 15-9.

MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES

Second Round

R. Hoadley and B. Davies defeated M. Atkins and J. Holloway, 15-12, 15-10.

P. Leighton and T. Dalsell defeated R. Dodwell and V. Martin, 15-6, 15-6.

MIXED OPEN DOUBLES

First Round

Miss K. Grogan and R. Bagley defeated Miss N. Rice-Jones and H. Drew, 15-9, 15-9.

Miss P. Macdonald and P. Colclough defeated Miss K. Harris and D. Fish, 15-17, 17-16.

Miss M. Hughes and D. Davis defeated Miss M. Sluggett and R. Knott, 15-4, 15-6.

Miss M. Rice-Jones and B. Evans defeated Miss F. Oates and W. E. Corfield, 9-15, 15-12, 18-13.

Miss P. Sluggett and J. Watt defeated Miss B. Baker and G. Lane, 15-8, 8-15, 15-11.

Miss B. Murdoch and R. Hurdle defeated Miss K. Beaumont and J. Nation, 15-9, 15-5.

MEN'S OPEN DOUBLES

First Round

G. Lane and R. Hughes defeated A. Stewart and R. Lamb, 15-4, 15-11.

D. Davis and R. Bagley defeated S. Skillings and B. Evans, 15-8, 15-7.

TONIGHT'S DRAW

Tonight's draw follows:

1.30—P. Salmon and G. Gray vs S. Oakes and F. Alarie, A. Stewart and R. Lamb vs. P. Colclough and E. Witter; V. Martin and J. Wells vs. O. Gilman and B. Davies; V. Hannan and B. Harris vs. H. Peden and R. Hoadley; T. Staples vs. H. Drew and R. Bagley vs. S. Bischard and J. Stewart; J. Carrier and P. Macdonald.

8-30—G. Sluggett and O. Ballantyne vs. B. Evans and S. Skillings; P. Macdonald and P. Colclough vs. M. Hughes and D. Davis; T. Dernie vs. G. Corey; D. Pudney vs. J. Brandon; L. Wilson vs. O. McMillan; M. and M. Sluggett vs. O. Gilman and M. Rice-Jones; J. Thomson and D. Hincks vs. K. Grogan and R. Bagley.

8-30—J. Thomson and P. Macdonald vs. B. Murdoch and B. Baker; D. Swayne and F. Oates vs. N. Rice-Jones and K. Harris; L. Thomson

and D. Hincks vs. K. Grogan and R. Bagley.

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Today's Sport Card

FOOTBALL

Hayward Cup

2:30—M. Hudson's Bay vs. Navy, Royal Athletic Park.

3:30—Victoria City vs. Spencers, Lower Beacon Hill.

BASKETBALL

High School Gymnasium

7:15—Adverts vs. Tull's Units, women's league.

8:15—Northwestern Creamery vs. Palm Dairies, senior "A" men.

9:15—Dominos vs. Senators.

9:00—M. and N. Rice-Jones vs. V. Hannan and V. Martin; R. Hoadley vs. D. Davis; winners of T. Staples and H. Drew vs. R. Hurdle; winners of P. Salmon and G. Gray and S. Oakes and F. Alarie vs. V. Hannan and V. Martin; R. Hoadley vs. D. Davis; winners of P. Colclough and E. Witter; winners of O. Gilman and B. Evans; S. Ballantyne and B. Davies and S. Skillings vs. Leighton and Daleski; P. Tyrrell and D. Fish vs. R. Patrick and D. Ward.

9:30—L. Fancett and D. Fish vs. winners of P. Wilson and R. Knott and M. Rice-Jones and B. Evans; winners of V. Martin and J. Wells and O. Gilman and B. Davies vs. winners of V. Hannan and R. Hurdle; winners of P. Salmon vs. P. Jackson and W. E. Corfield; P. Colclough and W. E. Corfield vs. J. Watt and D. Martin; R. Hurdle vs. R. Hurdle; winners of E. Witter and P. Tyrrell and D. Fish; F. Oates and J. C. L. Edwards vs. winners of M. and G. Sluggett and M. Barber-Starkey and P. Colclough.

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Letters to the Editor

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BUS TRANSPORTATION

Sir.—Why wait five more years for the bus system, when we may have it now. The street cars have had their day. We are living in a more modern age; why not ride in modern equipment? Do others, like myself, have to wait another five years before we can find steady employment? There are young married men, native sons, like myself, who work four to five months a year in the transportation business, to cater to the tourist trade; and who would work longer if they had the business. It does not seem fair that these young men of Victoria should walk the streets, six or seven months through the Winter, waiting for the next season's business. We have this opportunity for steady employment should the bus system go on the streets of Victoria. There are two sides to every story. The age limit may affect some of us in the next five years, and still young men, with no means of support and having had no chance to save up for that rainy day.

GEORGE E. LUND,
Glanford Avenue, Saanich, B.C.
Dec. 3, 1938.

PLIGHT OF THE JEWS

Sir.—I have been asked to give the gist of a letter from Rev. Dr. Newgirth, Christian Jew and well-known Anglican clergymen formerly of Montreal but more recently engaged in missionary work among the Jews in Europe.

Mr. Newgirth gives a pathetic story of the mistreatment of the Jews in Germany, and has come back to Canada to endeavor to find homes or financial help for Christian Jewish refugees in whose welfare he is personally interested, having probably brought them to Christ. He describes their condition as heart-breaking and desperate, without money or friends who can help them. Any who can render assistance are asked to write to Rev. Dr. Newgirth, 1750 Dorchester Street West, Montreal, Que.

K. E. RICHARDS,
139 Burdett Avenue, Victoria, B.C.
Dec. 3, 1938.

EIGHTEEN MILES AN HOUR!

Sir.—Your issue of November 30 contains an editorial entitled "Eighteen Miles an Hour!" Please accept the following remarks as a friendly effort to correct what I apparently false impression you have received concerning the recommended "Eighteen Miles an Hour" scheduled speeds recommended by me in my report to the City Council in connection with the type of vehicles which the City of Victoria may adopt in a new transportation system.

In the first place, the schedules themselves recommended preclude maintaining an eighteen-mile scheduled speed. However, that is solely because of economics. To impose stricter schedules at the beginning under a six-cent fare would make it difficult, if not impossible, for anyone to submit a bid.

With modernized transportation, patronage will increase from 20 to 50 per cent, and with the increased patronage can come better schedules. This increase is not idle conjecture. It may be considered as a universal rule that where antiquated transportation systems are modernized and brought up to date that patronage jumps from 20 to 200 per cent. It is safe, therefore, to assume a 20 or 25 per cent increase. This will make possible express service during rush hours and a definite speeding up of scheduled speeds during those hours. Thus, dispatchers would load buses fully and they would start out on their journey without stopping until they reached a pre-determined street toward the end of the run.

The recommendation concerning "Eighteen Miles an Hour," however, referred solely to the type of equipment; that is, to the ability of the vehicle to maintain such a general speed if it were called upon to do so. If you will allow me, I might suggest that your analysis of this recommendation is a typical layman's analysis and reaches false conclusions because of failure to recognize all the factors involved. You, however, touched on the most important factor without recognizing it. You stated, "The bus reached a pre-determined street toward the end of the run."

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WILLING WORKER

Mrs. Suburb (to tramp)—Out of work, are you? Then you're just in time. I've a pile of wool to be cut up, and I'd just going to send for a man to do it.

Tramp—That so, ma'am? Where does he live? I'll go and get him.

The dear old lady stood for over an hour watching the golfer search feverishly for his lost ball. At last, going timidly up to him, she said:

"Excuse me, but would it be against the rules if I told you where the ball is?"

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By Fred Neher



"I Get It Every Year Just Before Christmas"

CONTROL OF CANCER BRANCH ORGANIZED

COURTENAY, Dec. 5.—A branch of the Canadian Society for the Control of Cancer has been formed in the Comox district, and a drive for membership is under way. In charge of the work here is a committee consisting of Dr. J. McKee, Dr. P. L. Strath and Alderman J. H. MacIntyre, of Courtenay; Mrs. G. H. Gover, of Sandoval, and Mrs. Edgar Cliffe, of Comox.

Transportation experts had determined that in order to speed up traffic, a vehicle must be produced which is capable of quick stopping and quick starting. Within the last several years equipment has been built with rates of acceleration and deceleration of twice and three times what they were before. This is the key to maintaining fast scheduled speeds.

You are taking the old system which is slow of starting and slow of stopping, and give that as a reason why fast scheduled speeds cannot be maintained. Under the old system you are correct, although you are incorrect when you say that the B.C. Electric maintains little more than "nine miles an hour."

B.C. Electric speeds on their street cars are around twelve miles an hour. Actual clocking of B.C. Electric buses are twenty miles an hour (exclusive of lay-over time), including stops in picking up and taking off of passengers.

There are numerous services in existence which maintain eighteen-mile scheduled speeds or more, running as high as twenty-five miles an hour on certain express runs.

They have to have modern equipment to do it, however, but they are actually in existence and Victoria now has them in existence.

Thus, the eighteen miles an hour is not fancied, it is fact.

You state that an eighteen-mile minimum is an impossibility and the "City Council has been misled." In the first place, eighteen miles in itself is not an impossibility, nor would traffic be driven from the roads, nor would it be necessary "to exceed thirty miles per hour." Allow me to observe that in your capacity as editor of your newspaper, and as such the principal source of information of the people, that in making the statement you made in your paper that you are misleading the people, although I have no doubt but what it is unintentional and due to misinformation you have received and an incorrect analysis of the subject.

No provision is being made to set up "minimum" eighteen miles scheduled speeds. But it is recommended that whatever equipment is permitted that such equipment would be capable of maintaining minimum eighteen miles scheduled speeds. I am sure you can understand the difference in these two ideas. You buy an automobile capable of going a hundred miles an hour. Actually you don't drive it at one hundred miles an hour, but the vehicle has the necessary reserve burst of speed to be used in an emergency. Almost any lumbering old truck could maintain nine and ten-mile scheduled speeds.

Scheduled runs recommended initially under the franchise will vary from eight miles an hour to fourteen miles an hour. Thus it would be possible for a bidder to put in a very inferior type of vehicle and as service improved and faster scheduled speeds were possible due to increased patronage, it would become an impossibility because of the inferior equipment providing those schedules.

I hope this letter will contribute to some enlightenment on the subject. It strikes me that Victoria deserves the best, that there is available in the transportation field. Recommendations have been made to provide exactly that.

R. W. BECK,
Utility Engineer,
707 Failing Building, Portland, Ore.
U.S.A., December 3, 1938.

POPEYE

POPEYE'S TREATY IS APPROVED WITH THE DEMONS FINISHED!

GREETINGS YOUR MAJESTY!

THE TERMS PROVIDE THAT ALL GROWN DEMONS MUST WORK IN THE NEW SPINACH FIELDS ETC.

YES, IF YOU WISH

THE KING SUGGESTS ALL LITTLE DEMONS MUST EAT SPINACH

THAT'S GREAT IT'LL KEEP 'EM FROM BEIN' SUCH DE-MINGS

POP

WE'RE LEARNING TRIGONOMETRY IN SCHOOL NOW, POP!

TRIGONOMETRY EH!

WELL, DON'T YOU

LET ME CATCH YOU FIDDLING WITH MY GUNS!

12-7

TILLIE THE TOILER

I COULD HAVE SWORN I HEARD A PHONOGRAPH PLAYING OVER THE TELEPHONE FROM YOUR OFFICE, TILLIE.

YOU COULD BE MIS-

TAKEN, MR. SIMPKINS

ALL RIGHT, FORGET IT.

WE HAVE WORK TO DO.

TYPE A LETTER TO

BLOTZ AND CO.

DEAR SIRS—

ER—BUT MY TYPEWRITER IS BROKEN.

SHALL I WRITE IT

IN LONG-HAND, MR. SIMPKINS?

LONGHAND? CERTAINLY

NOT, LET MAC SIT DOWN

HERE AND SEE IF HE

CAN FIX IT.

YES, SIR.

GREAT SCOTT!!!

THAT'S THE SOUND I HEARD OVER THE PHONE.

YEAH, IT'S A

MUSICAL TYPE WRITER, BOSS.

TINKLE BOONG

TISSY COOKIES

ROY POWERS, KING'S SCOUT

Reviewed and Approved by Dominion Headquarters.
The Boy Scouts' Association.



By Martha Orr

APPLE MARY

VOTE "YES" FOR CIVIC AUDITORIUM AND BAND CONCERTS.

SEE?

(COUGH)

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Business and Professional Directory, Want Ads

The Daily Colonist

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Two cents per word each insertion, twice words a week with a minimum of ten words cash with order. No advertisements accepted for less than twenty-five cents.

Death Notices, \$1.00 per insertion.

Advertisement may have replies addressed to a box at The Colonist and forwarded to their private address.

A share of the cost will be paid by the advertiser.

In this case we add three words "Box Colonist" to the count for the number of words.

Out-of-town readers of our advertisements and advertisers to six words as well as phone numbers, as it is not always possible to communicate through the telephone.

Any claim for rebate on accounts of errors or omissions must be made within thirty days from the date of the same.

The Colonist will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion of any advertisement ordered for more than two months.

The Colonist service is available every day from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., excepting Sunday. Just call Empire 4114.

To insure insertion, classified Ad should reach The Colonist before 10 p.m. on the day previous to publication.

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EXPLAINS DUTY OF CHRISTIANS

**Rev. J. L. W. McLean Says
Spiritual Life Should Be
On High Level**

Starting with the affirmation that the Christian Church was "in no sense a man-made organization, but was a creation of God for the expression of the life of Jesus Christ in the world, Rev. J. Lewis W. McLean, minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, speaking to the Ministerial Association on Monday, at the Y.W.C.A., on "What Must the Church Be Doing?" stated that the first duty of the members of the church was the maintenance of their own spiritual life at its highest level. All services should be keyed to the idea of spiritual results.

Mr. McLean deprecated appeals to sensationalism and secular attractions as futile and unworthy.

Miss McLaughlin, of the Christmas Bureau, asked the co-operation of the ministers in aiding distribution of Christmas cheer, and their use of this agency for the prevention of overpricing.

The committee of the association was appointed at last month's meeting to confer with the Women's Council of the Single Unemployed was asked to continue.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Announcement was made that the meetings during the "week of witness and prayer" would be held in the First Baptist Church and will be preceded by a prayer meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. The following are the chairmen and speakers, respectively, for the four meetings.

Sunday—Rev. A. E. Whitehouse and Very Rev. Spencer Elliott.

Wednesday—Rev. F. Conley and Rev. H. A. McLeod.

Thursday—Adjutant Charles Watt and Rev. Bryce H. Wallace.

Friday—Rev. Dr. A. S. Inrie and Dr. W. A. Cameron of Central Presbyterian Church, Vancouver.

Afternoon meetings will be held in the Y.W.C.A. from Tuesday to Friday.

States Onus Is On Farmers to Take Initiative

Hon. K. C. MacDonald, Minister of Agriculture, declined to appoint a committee of three members to enforce the Noxious Weeds Act in North Saanich, when requested to do so by residents of that district before the agricultural committee of the Legislature.

An amendment to the act provides that 60 per cent of the property owners of a district may unite to appoint a committee to enforce the act. Captain J. R. Wilson and Dr. J. H. Black, of North Saanich, told the minister and the committee, however, that it was not possible to make contact with 60 per cent of the property owners in their district, and asked that the minister should appoint a committee.

Dr. MacDonald's reply was that if the people of North Saanich had not the courage to avail themselves of the powers given, the department was not going to do it for them. The law was for the Province as a whole, he pointed out.

Captain MacGregor, F. Macintosh (Con., Islands), pointed out that many residents of North Saanich were owners of country homes, and were not interested in the eradication of noxious weeds.

Irate Father (sighing)—Now, do you know why I had to punish you severely?

Son (crying)—Y-y-yes, be-cause you've got a h-o-t temper.

Vote "Yes" for Civic Auditorium and Grand Opera.

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"BIG SISTER" captures hearts in VICTORIA

More and more listeners are thrilling to the adventures of Rinso's "Big Sister" every day. Tune in to this stirring romantic serial—Monday through Friday.

CBR --- 11 A.M.

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BLUE LINE TRANSIT COMPANY

If granted the franchise the Blue Line promises to operate at no increase of fare or cancellation of pass or transfer privileges.

AROUND the DIAL

5:30 p.m.—Sir Edward Beatty will speak on behalf of the Salvation Army Christmas activities over the C.B.C. CBR.

5:30 p.m.—A man who grows colored cotton, Calvin Spears, of Alabama, will head the list of guests on Dave Elman's "Hobby Lobby," KOMO, KPI, KPO.

6:30 p.m.—Film hit tunes of past seasons will be recalled on the programmes of "Music by Faith," which presents the orchestra, and Louise King, Dave Davies and a choral ensemble. CBR.

9:00 p.m.—Percy Harvey will direct the "Music Never Dies" orchestra in a concert of masterpieces, with Ira Swartz, well-known pianist, as guest soloist. CBR.

(The following programmes are compiled by the various broadcasting companies and are subject to change.)

CFCT, Victoria, B.C. (1500 kcas.)

8:00 a.m.—Morning Salute.

8:15 a.m.—Breakfast Chatter.

8:00 p.m.—Gullbook and Uplook.

8:15 a.m.—Notes and News.

8:45 a.m.—Peter Dawson, songs.

8:00 a.m.—Morning Chorus on Record.

11:00 a.m.—March Time.

12:30 p.m.—Music at Home.

12:45 p.m.—Noonday Stories.

1:00 p.m.—Good Old Times.

1:15 p.m.—Old Time Stories.

1:30 p.m.—Baron Von Oeserz.

1:30 p.m.—World Bookman.

5:00 p.m.—Monitor Comments.

6:00 p.m.—Yesterday's Hits.

6:30 p.m.—Sports Corner.

6:15 p.m.—Royal Blue Line.

7:00 p.m.—Bus Talk.

7:00 p.m.—Kent's Record Revue.

7:30 p.m.—N.Y. Cross Kingston Talks.

7:45 p.m.—Columbia Concerts.

7:45 p.m.—Business Waltzes.

7:45 p.m.—News Summary.

7:45 p.m.—Old Time Stories.

7:45 p.m.—Basketball.

7:45 p.m.—Sports.

7:45 p.m.—Popular Interlude.

7:45 p.m.—Non Partisan League.

7:45 p.m.—Good Morning, Neighbor.

11:00 a.m.—News.

12:30 p.m.—Good Luck.

12:45 p.m.—Balled to Music.

1:00 p.m.—Music Workshop.

1:45 p.m.—Lombard Time.

2:00 p.m.—Smiling Billy Blushorn.

2:30 p.m.—Music Workshop.

3:00 p.m.—Pelican Club.

3:15 p.m.—Howie Wing.

3:30 p.m.—Music Workshop.

3:45 p.m.—Concert Interlude.

4:00 p.m.—Real Life Drama.

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